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THE NATION'S CAPITAL

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HOWARD'S GYMNASIUM FUND GROWS!

Zion's Financial Headquarters is Now at Birmingham, Ala.—Assistant Attorney-General Wm. H. Lewis has Sailed for Europe—News Notes.

(By R. W. Thompson.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Special.

Prof. J. P. Strickland, the newly-appointed assistant register of the United States Treasury, was the guest of honor at an elaborate banquet last Friday evening, tendered by "The Arkansans," a club made up of progressive young men from Arkansas, residing at the nation's capital, largely as students or as officials under the federal government. The affair took place in the parlors and state dining room of the Twelfth Street branch of the Young Men's Christian Association, and the friends of the Arkansas statesman made the welkin ring with their plaudits of the good things said and done in the ...'s largest and best-equipped temple of militant Christianity in the world. Covers were laid for forty, and the menu prepared by Caterer R. T. Murray was toothsome and abundant.

The program embraced introductory remarks by the vice president, W. F. Turner, who acted as toastmaster, in the unavoidable absence of the president, M. F. Harris; address of welcome in behalf of the club, W. E. King; violin solo, E. O. Cox; address, "How May Religion and Social Irganizations Co-Operate?" Lewis Johnson, secretary of the Y. M. C. A.; address, "The Universality of the Press," R. W. Thompson, president of the National Negro Press Association; piano selection, J. N. Donohoo; remarks by M. S. Caver, "How the Arkansans are Making Good Everywhere."

Mr. Strickland, who delivered the closing address, spoke in an exceedingly happy vein of the honor conferred upon him by his fellow-citizens of Arkansas, a state which he was proud to call his "home," and pledged himself to do all within his power to show them that the commission placed in his hand has been worthily bestowed. He will try to live up to the high standard of honesty and efficiency expected of him by his supporters. He believed firmly in the ability of the Negro race to rise to the highest mark of human endeavor, and referred to pluck, thrift, industry and fidelity to duty as the rounds in the ladder upon which we must climb. Mr. Strickland spoke in laudatory terms of President Taft and with grateful appreciation of the practical evidences of friendship for the race indicated by the nation's chief executive. Likewise in the category of great humanitarians he placed Gen. Powell Clayton, Arkansas' gallant member of the Republican national committee. Said Mr. Strickland:

"When the shadows engendered by false issues, personal animosities, jealousies and overweening ambition of individuals shall have passed away, and the American people have had an opportunity to weigh his merits in the clear light of reason, President Taft will stand out in history as one of the ablest and most patriotic men we have ever placed in the White House. The result-producing achievements of his administration hail him as a constructive statesman of the rarest quality. The Republican party will 'come back' because of the prosperity his policies has brought about—and he can 'come back' with it, if he so wills it."

The Arkansans.

"The Arkansans" was organized some ... ago, with the view of bringing into closer union the young men from their native state and of promoting intersets which they might have in common. It is a source of much pride with them that they helped to shape the policies that led to the "lining-up" of the colored voters in Arkansas with certain potent factors, resulting in the signal defeat of the infamous "grandfather clause," designed to disfranchise the Negro citizens. The officers and members of the club are as follows:

M. F. Harris, president; W. F. Turner, vice president; E. W. Harrison, secretary; H. H. Rhinehart, assistant secretary; J. J. Porter, treasurer; E. R. Dryer, sergeant-at-arms; E. A. Morris, I. G. Bailey, Jr.; W. E. King, Peyton Hutchins, Thomas Hutchins, E. H. Moody, C. White, J. A. Flowers, E. O. Cox, H. Caver, T. R. Davis, B. S. Ingraham, Charles Terry, O. T. Taylor, J. S. Donohoo, G. S. Donohoo, William Stephens, Jefferson Gilmore, H. A. Taylor, Warren Macbeth, F. W. Dixon, G. W. Lane, C. ...zier, J. Jordan, A. Bush, B. F. Montgomery and G. M. Blake.

Aside from Mr. Strickland, the special guests of the occasion were Messrs. Johnson and Thompson. At the conclusion of the exercises, a flashlight portrait of the gathering was taken.

Healthy Growth of Howard University's Gymnasium Fund.

The central gymnasium committee of the General Alumni Association of Howard University reports that since the "ground-breaking" on the proposed site of the new gymnasium building, at commencement June 5, last, activities have been redoubled along all lines.

Many of those who attended the commencement returned to their fields of labor with increased enthusiasm for the extension work of their beloved university. They have been instrumental in securing pledges, and in many instances, contributions to help swell the $10,000 gymnasium fund now wbeing raised among the alumni. Plans are on foot locally for a sweeping campaign, with the intention of reaching and enlisting every available source of ... To this end, one of the prominent ministers of this city has tendered an ... session of his church service for the purpose of interesting his congregation, and those who worship with them, in the movement for the gymnasium, and acquainting them with the beneficial effects it is likely to have. At this service, President S. M. Newman, the new head of Howard University, is to be invited, with the university choir and a representative from the gymnasium committee, who will present the cause. The collection from this service is to be donated to the gymnasium in the name of the church. Several other churches are planning a similar service, and it is believed that the effort will be made general, in order to give every element in Washington's religious life an opportunity to extend a helping hand to this very worthy project.

To date the pledges amount to about $7,200, with $1,500 in the hands of the treasurer of the university. The student pledges, numbering 800, indicating the loyalty of the students to the movement, which matured October 1, have been coming in rapidly during the last two months. Prof. Kelly Miller, chairman of the committee, Mr. Robert A. Pelham, secretary-treasurer, and Mr. Shelby J. Davidson, financial agent of the gymnasium committee, are sanguine of success and hope to be able to announce in the early part of January a sufficient number of pledges made and paid in as will justify them in claiming the $15,000 promised by the trustees of the university, making $25,000, the full amount, available for the long-coveted gymnasium building.

With continued interest and increased stimulus, it is believed that plans and drawings of the building may be completed before the next commencement, and it is hoped the building will be ready for the cornerstone laying at that time.

Zion's Financial Headquarters Now at Birmingham.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 10.—The formal opening of the new financial headquarters of the A. M. E. Zion church took place last Sunday at the Metropolitan A. M. E. Zion church, of which Rev. J. F. Moreland is pastor. An immense crowd witnessed the impressive and inspiring ceremonies. Dr. J. S. Jackson, the energetic financial secretary, to whose constructive genius and commercial courage the church is due this forward movement in its business management, was in general charge. The North Alabama conference, of which he is a member, was in session at Bessemer, eleven miles away, with Bishop J. W. Alstork presiding. At the invitation of Dr. Jackson, the conference adjourned on Sunday and came to Birmingham in a body to participate in the exercises and to give additional significance to the history-making occasion.

Bishop Alstork acted as master of ceremonies. Hon John C. Dancy, secretary of the Church Extension Board, representing the general officers of the connection, delivered an eloquent address, reciting the struggles of the church toward financial independence and paying a high tribute to the demonstrated skill of Dr. Jackson as a financier. Dr. J. W. Wood, Prof. T. W. Wallace, editor of the Western Star of Zion, and Dr. Moreland also spoke in an optimistic vein, and predicted increased prosperity of the department, located in the heart of the South, within easy touch with the rank and file of the Zion membership. Representatives of the Alabama conferences, Florida, Mississippi, Tennessee and North Carolina conferences came on to show their confidence in and appreciation of Dr. Jackson, who, they assert, has brought so much prestige to Zion's great army everywhere, and especially in Alabama and the Southwest. They declare he must be elevated to the Episcopal bench in 1916. The headquarters here will compare favorably with any of the business institutions carried on by the whites and it is a credit to the city and race.

Dr. Jackson is looking extremely well, despite the hard work he is doing. He now tips the scales at 183 pounds, a jump in four years from 140. His beautiful home is approaching completion. It is one of the handsomest and best-appointed residences in the city, and with electric fixtures, outbuildings, fence, etc., will cost not less than $6,000.

Mr. William H. Lewis, assistant attorney general of the United States, has sailed for Europe, and will include in his itinerary a visit to Paris, where his wife and children have been living for the past year or so, London, Liverpool, Berlin and other points of international interest. At the French capital the Lewis children are taking advantage of the superior educational facilities offered. Mr. Lewis will return to America in January.

CENTRALIA, ILL.

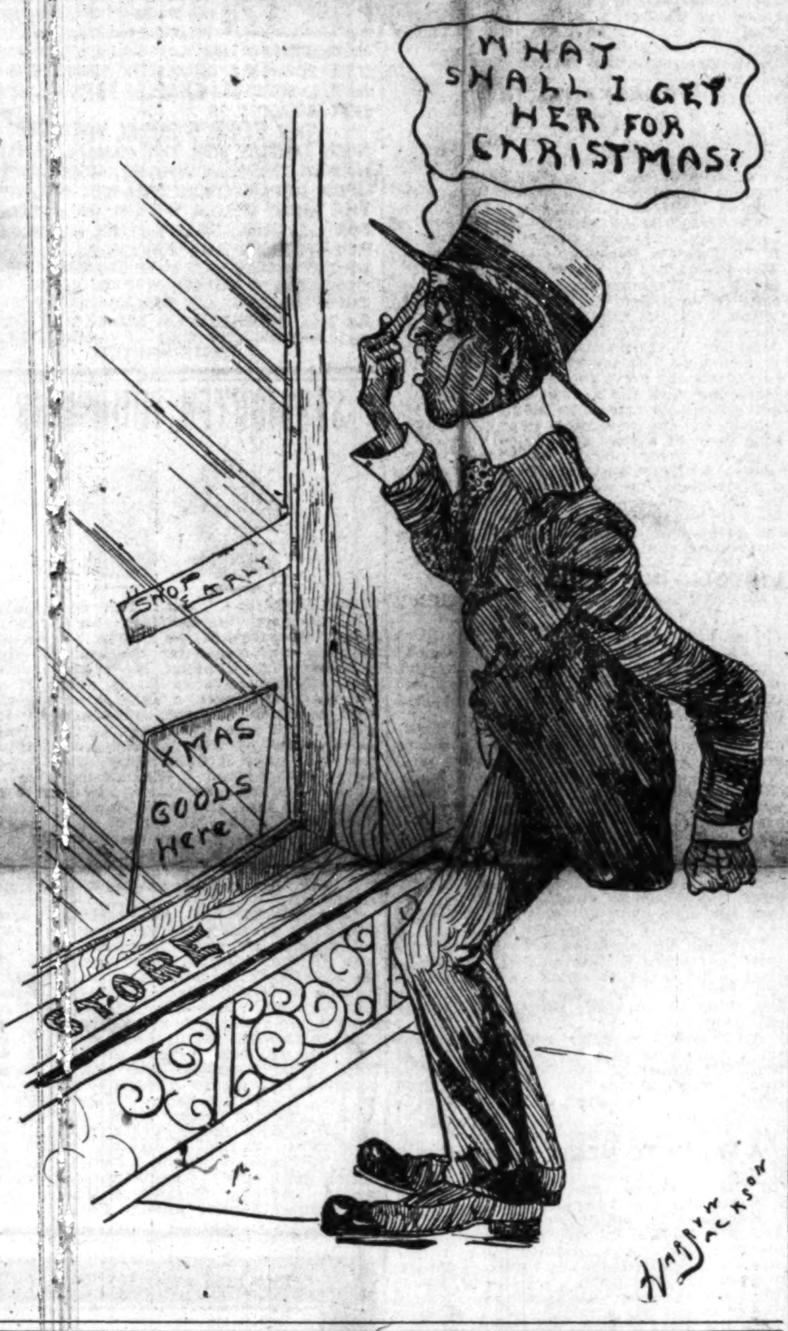
Special to the Freeman.

Mrs. Pate is on the sick list....Mrs. L. Williams was hostess to the W. I. C. Club December 5. Important business was transacted, after which luncheon was served....The choir members of the Second Baptist church are making preparations to give a grand entertainment and bazaar during the holidays........There was a grand entertainment given at the M. E. Bethel church one night last week. ....Mrs. Delashman, Mrs. S. Glover and Mrs. Hester, of Walnut Hill, visited Centralia Saturday of last week....Mr. M. Bradley and Miss E. Nall, of Mounds, Ill., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Burrell here. They were not satisfied with being guests here, so they visited Marion, Ill., and were married there....Mrs. J. Mosley is on the sick list; also Mrs. T. Scott....Mr. Clayton Arnold is contemplating starting a shoe shop....The Masons met last Monday....Mr. Frank H. Campbell is president of the Pinnicle Club and Mr. Si Campbell is secretary....Mrs. Folks is still on the sick list....Miss Polly Hester is complaining of having a very bad cold....Mrs. E. Martin has opened a first-class restaurant here. She invites all to give her a trial, and fair treatment wiss be accorded all patrons.

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

A reception was given Friday evening in the Oak Hill Avenue A. M. E. church in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Paris Hall. The couple was married in Baltimore November 28 and arrived in this city December 4. The evening was an enjoyable one, and the newly wedded folks received numerous presents....The fair given by the the Ladies of St. Augustine Episcopal mission in Elks' hall Tuesday and Wednesday was well attended, and was a complete success. A neat sum was realized. ....Miss Gertrude Scales and George C. Brown were married Monday. They have the best wishes of their many friends.... Miss Marion Berry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Berry, of 916 Foster street, died at her home Friday from diphtheria. She was eleven years of age, and has a bright disposition. She was a member of St. Augustine Episcopal mission, and attended the public schools....Mrs. Wesley Williams, of Foster street, who has been ill for some time, was in a serious condition Saturday and Sunday....There are several of our people on the sick list at the present time....Daniel Cleggett and Alice O. Pierce were granted a marriage license Wednesday....The members of the Chrysanthemum Club will meet at the residence of Mrs. Sarah Clark, Chicago avenue, Monday evening, December 17, at 7 o'clock. All members are requested to be present....The Oak Hill Avenue A. M. E. church sewing circle met at the residence of Mrs. Angie, West Poland, Ohio, Thursday. The meeting was largely attended....The Eureka Club will give a dance in Connell Hall December 25.... Archie Thomas was the caterer at the banquet given by the local Barbers' Union, No. 84, the occasion being the thirteenth birthday of the local. The affair was a grand success. There were 150 persons present....Elmer Harvey was in Newcastle Sunday.



DALLAS (TEX.) DOTS OF THE SPOTLIGHT.

Special to The Freeman.

Crystal Palace, Paul Drayton Abbiff and Metropolitan Masonic lodges will observe St. John's day here with religious services and a Masonic program, on the 27th of this month. The exercises are to be for the betterment of the craft and prospective men of the city....Mr. B. T. Tyler, the grocer, is talking Stephenville belles and society very strong since his recent visit there....Mr. Walter Madison is home from Galveston nursing a lame foot which was injured while he was a member of the Dandy Dixie Minstrels. ....Pay time is here. Be sure and be ready to pay for your paper....Rev. S. Pitman and Mr. Lewis, the barber on Elm street, are agents for the Dixon Orphanage at Gilmore, Texas....Manager Reuben Williams is pushing the completion of the Star theater and booking performers....Persons wishing the Freeman may get it at 433 North Central avenue from Mr. Black, the grocer....Cool, sober and level-headed persons lending their aid to other members of the race may be the means of several preserving their lives during the hollidays and thus live to see the dawning of the new year....Mrs. Nelson Jones was called to Navasota to attend the funeral of a relative there the past week....Mr. T. L. Lomax informs the Freeman readers that the best is none to good for the public by members of the Shiners and Polishers' Union at the following places: C. B. Terrell, John Randler, W. H. Ewing, Kid Rogers, W. H. Johnson, J. J. Norsworth, J. Wooldridge, Will Taylor, Daniel Parker, W. Sanders, V. L. Fortune, John Carlise, M. J. Brown, McKinley Pitts....Let members of the race look to the future for the betterment of the people, and patronize one another in all lines of business. This is the state of affairs the Freeman would welcome at this place instead of the wave of crime that is blackening the pages of our history. Let us all work together and try to better our condition....Cards are out announcing the wedding of Mrs. A. Riley and Miss Marguerite Bolden on December 31 at the home of the bride....Mr. W. H. Harrison and son Archie Lee spent several days here from Muskogee, Okla., visiting friends and relatives in this city. ....It will pay you, Mr. Merchant, to wake up and do some advertising, and let the people know where you are. See Griffin, the Freeman man, in Dallas, at 2922 Cochran street.

JACKSONVILLE NEWS.

(By Nellie Early.)

Miss Lula Jackson, of Kansas City, Mo., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Charles Biggs....Mr. Mounts, of South Ebey street, has moved to South West street. ....Educational exercises were held December 8 at the Christian church, and were well attended....Miss Nellie Early, of 565 Sharp street, has returned home from a pleasant visit in Frankfort and Louisiana, Mo, with relatives and friends. ....A grand opening of the Reed cafe was held December 5 on South West street. Excellent music was furnished by the Famous orchestra....Mr. Thomas E. Waggoner, of St. Louis, Mo., attended the funeral of his brother....Mr. Jonas Paxton left recently for his home in Peoria, Ill., after a pleasant visit with his sister, Mrs. M. Reed....The funeral services of Bessie Hayden were held December 2, at the Mt. Emery Baptist church. Rev. Russell officiated. The floral tributes were many and beautiful. Hicklin tabernacle attended in a body, she being a faithful member. Interment was in East cemetery....Mrs. John McCree was a Chicago visitor recently....Mrs. James Brown and Mrs. Sarah Rice were Chicago visitors recently....Mr. Albert Strong and family were Springfield visitors December 1.... Mr. W. Triplett, of West Marion street, is slowly improving....Misses Callie Williams and Smith, of Louisiana, Mo., were the guests of ou rcity Thanksgiving.

COLUMBIA, MO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

St. Paul A. M. E. church was favored with a lecture Monday night by Prof. A. C. Carter of Jefferson City....The pastor of St. Paul church has installed a junior choir for Sunday morning services.... Miss Mae Smith, vocalist, Chyenne, Wyo., is in the city en route to Washington, D. C., to study voice culture....The funeral of Mr. John Reyart was held at St. Paul church Monday afternoon....The Fred Douglass high school is in excellent condition with Prof. H. L. Cox at its head, and with a very able corps of teachers. There are over 600 schol children in Columbia, and with 440 of these in attendance, the teachers and principal are to be congratulated. Prof. Cox and his staff of teachers are in the midst of a campaign of visitation, and plan to visit every home represented in the school. They desire to see the pupils' actual invironments and seek the co-operation of the parents in making the Douglass school serve them in a more substantial manner. A parents' day will be held at the conclusion of the campaign, to which all parents are cordially invited.

EDITOR ABBOTT'S VISIT

ABLE JOURNALIST "DOES" SEVERAL EASTERN CITIES.

"STRING BEANS" AND RUSSELL MIX UP

Big Literary Contest at Bethel Church the 15th inst. Ida B. Wells-Barnett Takes Active Part in 50th Anniversary of the Negro's Freedom.

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

(Freeman Bureau, 3000 State Street, Phone Douglass 8058; Automatic 72-384.)

CHICAGO, Ill., Special.

Mr. R. S. Abbott, editor and publisher of the Chicago Defender, is in the East on a visit. While away he spent several days at Hampton and then went to New York City. Mr. Abbott must be given the credit for building up one of the best weekly papers in the Northwest. He is loyal, aggressive and race-loving. Mr. Abbott put one over on the Chicago boys when he put his paper on sale at the elevated stations. The managing editor of the Defender is Mr. J. Hockley Smiley, one of the best all-around newspaper men in the country. The make-up and news matter is almost entirely in the hands of Mr. Abbott. He has recently worked up some of the best stories hereabouts which have caused the Defender to take a slap in circulation. While it is not generally known, it is a fact that the associate editor is Mr. T. Alfred Anderson, the song and lyric writer. Mr. Anderson is a brilliant literary light of Chicago. His writings are widely quoted and have the editorial ring and as a paragrapher, ranks as the best in the country. The Defender is fortunate in having Mme. Adams as the musical and dramatic critic, who is also a singer of ability and prominence. The sporting editor is Mr. Julius Avondolph, and the other staff are men and women of training and ability. Mr. Elwood Knox was in to see the editor of the Defender this week and had the highest praise for Mr. Abbott and his paper.

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The report has reached us that Mr. Russell had a "setoo" this week with "String Beans." Now really, it is time for Mr. Russell to so "write up" his matter as not to have actors and women always punching him. It's a disgrace to be always in hot water; to dart in and out of a place, for fear of getting a whipping on account of some foolish statement in a paper. Of course if Mr. Russell can stand it, so can the public. It's a disgrace to the "dramatic press" for the public to be always talking about who beat up the "great dramatic critic." We hope Mr. "String Beans" was not as serious with his blow as Mr. Dudley. Mr. Russell ought to take a hint now and be goo dfor a while, but we suppose he will break out again soon and some woman will have him running around the corner, as Rose Brown did a few years ago.

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Arrangements are complete for the big literary contest which will take place on December 15, at Bethel A. M. E. church, at 3 o'clock. "The Negro Soldier in the Wars of the World" is the subject. Dr. Louie Uselman, the popular jeweler, has donated a diamond ring to the young lady winning and a gold watch and chain to the young man. President B. F. Fitts, president of the Literary, has given out the following names and the clubs to be represented: Negro Fellowship Club, Miss B. Fortson and Mr. J. A. Marshall; Tuskegee Club, Mrs. Della Crutchfield and Raymond Taborn; University Club, Miss Sophia Boaz and Frank W. Henry; Standard Literary, Miss Jessie McEwen and L. W. Washington; Criterion Club, Miss Katherine Williams; Star Literary, Mrs. Berry and Mr. Bailey; Sons of Mississippi, Abe Marshall.

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Mrs. Ida Wells-Barnett, one of the most active, energetic and brilliant women of the race; editor of the Fellowship Herald, a strong race paper of the Windy City, is taking the initiative in the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the American Negro. An emancipation chorus under the direction of Mr. James A. Mundy, will be one of the principal features of the celebration. The affair will take place January 1, the place to be named next week. Mrs. Barnett deserves great credit for the interest manifested in this movement.

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Mr. Elwood Knox, editor of The Freeman, and his wife were in the city this week on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Bason, 3721 Forest avenue. Mr. Knox's trip was purely a business one; yet he took occasion to mingle several days with friends and was highly entertained by the substantial business and professional men of Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. Knox returned to Indianapolis on Wednesday.

Major Franklin A. Denison, Mr. George Walker and a number of other Chicago gentlemen have returned from St. Louis, Mo., where they attended the meeting of the Greek society, of which they are members.

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Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Rex, who are widely known in theatrical circles, are in the city. They were with the Williams and Walker company, and are now in vaudeville. They are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sammon, 3315 State street.

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At this writing, quite an interest is being manifested in the gathering of colored Progressives who are in the city this week. Mr. A. N. Fields gives it out that a banquet will be given in honor of the visiting "Moosers."

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Dr. Dan H. Williams, who goes to Nashville, Tenn., every year, in the month of March, is geratly pleased to learn that Hubbard hospital has been completed and dedicated. Dr. Williams sent a letter of congratulation to Dr. Hubbard, dean of Meharry Medical College, and the one for whom the hospital was named. Dr. Williams and Mr. Lewis will return to Nashville next year, at the request of Dr. Hubbard.

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Miss Ethel McElwee, of this city, is in Nashville, Tenn., and is being royally entertained by friends. The Nashville Globe prints several elaborate functions tendered in honor of Miss McElwee.

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Quite a number of socials are being planned for the Christmas holidays. Nearly all of the clubs of the city will give a dance or reception. The famous Appomattox Club will hold their usual open house on New Year's day.

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Who will be the next alderman of the Second ward? This is the question that is being discussed by the leading politicians of the Second ward.

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The talk of Chicago is the dedication of the new Y. M. C. A. building. Mr. George L. Knox, of the Indianapolis Freeman, and Mr. C. H. Bullock, of the Louisville Y. M. C. A., will be among the distinguished guests.

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The Chicago correspondent regrets to learn of the illness of Mr. Benjamin Davis, editor of the Atlanta Independent, Atlanta, Ga. Late reports that he is better is glad news to his many friends in this section of the country.

Everybody is glad to see Dr. U. G. Dailey back in the Windy City. The genial doctor is doing some fine work on the Chicago Defender, reporting his sights while abroad.

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Miss Julia Brown, of Indianapolis, Ind., who was married to Dr. Lewis E. Clark last week, is in the city, accompanied by her husband. They are the guests of Mrs. Katie Easton, 3611 Wabash avenue.

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"Am I Thy Brother's Keeper" is the heading of a very fine article in the Chicago Defender by Mme. Minnie Adams, who is the competent stage critic on that paper. Mr. R. S. Abbott, who is the editor, is visiting in the East, and was the guest of the tditor of the Amsterdam News.

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Although Dr. Louie Uselman was robbed of $5,000 in jewelry, he will make good and award the prizes to the contestants in the literary contests on next Sunday at Bethel A. M. E. church.

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Mr. and Mrs. William Cowan have returned to the city after spending the Thanksgiving week at Danville, Ky.

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Mrs. Flod Emanuel is improving is the glad news that friends of Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel are receiving this week.

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Bishop B. F. Lee has been in the city, preaching at the churches of the A. M. E. connection. He is bishop of this diocese.

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Mrs. Charles Washington, 530 Bowen street, entertained Mrs. Miller, of Winnipeg, Canada, with a reception on Tuesday, December 3.

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Col. John R. Marshall has returned to the city after an extended trip East.

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Mr. Harry Craft, who has been on the sick list, is much better.

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Mrs. Martha Anderson and Mrs. Nora E. Lee gave a studio exhibit at their studio last Sunday.

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Mrs. Rena Brannum entertained with an exceptionally classy whist in honor of the new whist club.

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The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Eighth regiment met at the residence of Mrs. John R. Marshall on Monday. After business, the ladies played whist.

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Miss Willa Mae Anderson and Mr. F. Verne Rabb were married at 5351 Vernon avenue.

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The Sunday schools are making preparations to have Christmas trees.

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Miss Nettie Walker of the city of Indianapolis, Ind., is expected to be in the city of Chicago during the Christmas holidays, and will be the guest of Mrs. Tennie Smiley, of Calumet avenue. Miss Walker is a charming teacher in the public schools of Indianapolis. Her many friends here will make the visit a delightful one.

PEORIA, ILL., NEWS.

Mr. Granville Thompson, of 209 South Spring street, died December 3, at the age of fifty-six years. He had been a resident of Peoria for eighteen years. He was a member of Ward A. M. E. church and Brown lodge, A. F. and A. M. There were only a few days between the death of Mr. Thompson and his oldest daughter, Vergie. The Freeman extends its sympathy to the bereaved family...."The Old School at Hickory Hollow" was given the second time at Ward A. M. E. church and was a complete success....Mrs. Ida Savage is dangerously ill....Get your tickets early for the semi-centennial celebration of the Negro's freedom. The event will occur in Peoria January 1.... Rev. S. B. Jones of Ward's chapel is to organize a choir with Mr. John Herrington, of Boston, Mass., assisting....Mrs. B. Thompson, of the Country Club, assisted Mrs. Thompson during the funeral of her husband, Mr. Granville Thompson....Mrs. Lena Thompson, Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. S. Hazel, Galesburg, Ill.; Mrs. Nora Criss, Keokuk, Iowa; Mrs. Lenora Crawford, of Keokuk, were in ePoria last week at attend the funeral of Mr. Granville Thompson. ....Mr. and Mrs. E. Alexander, Mrs. A. Ford Boone and Mrs. F. D. Banks were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Bryant on Procter street....There will be a concert at Ward's chapel by the Sunday school on Christmas eve....Rev. Mrs. S. B. Jones has returned from Rockford, Ill....Rev. and Mrs. Jones were entertained last Sunday evening by Mr. and Mrs. Bailey on Katell street....The members of the A. M. E. church presented Mr. E. F. Baldwin, editor of the Peoria Star, with a very pretty cane on his seventy-second birthday for his kindness to the church. Those on the committee were Mrs. J. B. Smith, Mrs. S. B. Floyd, Mrs. I. C. Harper, Mr. M. Journey and Rev. S. B. Jones.

ONLY FOUR DAYS

Left to get in the Christmas issue. Better write at once.

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DR. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON IN THE CENTURY MAGAZINE

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—The contribution of Dr. Booker T. Washington to the Century Magazine has provoked much favorable comment, because of its directness and the vigorous language employed. The following newspaper review is proof of the interest it has aroused and that it has been very generally read by the whites:

"Is the Negro having a fair chance?" This is the question Dr. Booker T. Washington puts, and answers, in the November issue of the Century Magazine. In all of Dr. Washington's writings there cannot be found a stronger plea, going hand in hand with a verile defense of his race, than appears in this article, and no question asked has been more clearly and convincingly answered. Comparing the chances of the dark peoples in the old world with those in this country, he briefly, but effectively, makes a parrellel to the advantage of the Negro in America, and then immediately launches into a discussion of the "unequal laws," asserting, with vigor, that the basic cause of racial troubles in America rests in these "unequal laws." To use his words, "reduced to its lowest terms, the fact is, that a large part of our racial troubles in the United States grow out of some attempt to pass and execute a law that will make and keep one man superior to another, whether he is intrinsically superior or not." Lincoln said that no man should govern another without another's consent. Dr. Washington states this point, and proves it, even stronger. He adds: "No greater harm can be done to any group of people than to let them feel that a statutory enactment can keep them superior to anybody else. No greater injury can be done to any youth than to let him feel that because he belongs to this or that race, or because of his color, he will be advanced in life regardless of his own merits or efforts." With this sweeping, and self-evident truth as a foundation, he builds up an argument, clear as a bell, proving, beyond the peradventure of a doubt, that the Negro's fair chance in this country, stripped of all verbage, and reduced to the last analysis, is more honored in the breach than in the observance. The very striking feature of the article is the ungloved, vigorous manner in which the doctor handles the subjects of railway discriminations, niggardly appropriations for Negro education, peonage, and the barbaric practice of lynching. Upon these subjects his language is as bold as the militants, as uncompromising as the aggressive seeker for justice, but withal as sane as the statesman who plans to insure permanency of reforms, to harmonize all classes into a unity mass without destroying, or restricting a fundamental right of any one class. Taking these four subjects seriatim a sentence quoted from each is sufficient to give some idea of the verility, strong, the unimpassionate, condemnation of these injustices, that features the article. The article constitutes one of the strongest arraignments of those who are guilty of these injustices, and the severest indictment yet penned by this distinguished educator, author and constructive stateman, or by any of his contemporaries, white or black. Upon the subject of railway discriminations, he says:

"With few exceptions, the railroads are almost the only great business concerns in the South that pursue the policy of taking just as much money from the black traveler as from the white without feeling that they ought, as a matter of justice and fair play, not as a matter of social equality, to give one man for his money just as much as another man." And then he proceeds to show that as a concrete business proposition railway discrimination, because of color, results in heavy financial loss to transportation companies. On the subject of appropriations for Negro education, he says:

"It is not only natural that the Negro in the South should feel that he is unfairly treated when he has, as is often true, in the country districts no school at all, or one with a term of no more than four or five months, taught in a wreck of a log-cabin and by a teacher who is paid about half the price of a first-class convict."

And then he shows that the Negro pays more than his share for education in the South, and quotes from white men to further prove it. Strongly condemning the convict labor evil in the South, he closes his arraignment of that evil with the following declaration:

"Injustice in the courts makes slaves of two races in the South, the white and the black."

On the subject of the ballot, he says: "It is a fatal mistake to teach the young black man and the young white man that the dominance of the white race in the South rests upon any other basis than absolute justice to the weaker man." Then pressing the barbaric crime of lynching to the door of the white man, he asks:

"When ten millions of people feel that they are not sure of being fairly tried in a court of justice, when charged with crime, is it not natural that they should feel that they have not had a fair chance?"

The article in its entirety is a clever interlacing of calm, but bold, censure for the assailant and strong, but just defense of the victim. It constitutes an arraignment, a clear-cut indictment that precludes any "come back" from enemies. The facts are there. The militant spirit is there—plainly in evidence, however much sanity and a stateman's wisdom subdues it to a point of harmony with the hope for justice and permanent peace. Ten millions of people but partially equipped can not violently fly at the throat of eighty million fully equipped, with the hope of success. The small, unorganized minority must always arbitrate with the great and powerful majority rather than precipitately sever all alliance. But each arbitration should be but a temporary treaty upon which to base a more advantageous treaty later on, at some more propituous time. This sentiment is transparent throughout the article. It has ever been the cornerstone in Dr. Washington's reasonings. He fully realizes the impatience—just and excusable impatience of his race for the denied rights that are clearly theirs, but a wiser discerner into the future than they, he is aware that impatience that brooks no delay, without sufficient force to execute, always extends, rather than brings nearer the day of realization of the hope that prompted impatience. But no review of this article, in many respects the most virile, the most uncompromising, and the most appealing Dr. Washington ever penned, can do justice to it. It must be read—every line of it and every sentence in the ten pages. And the Negro who fails to secure the Century Magazine for November and read "Is the Negro Having a Fair Chance?" neglects that which may give him a clearer vision of truth and justice; of opportunity and restriction; of expediency and inexpediency. There is but one thing to which the Negro may drive, actually drive, a white man, no matter how just the Negro's cause, and that is to resentment. To everything else the proud, haughty Caucasian must be persuaded by sane, sound reason. And Dr. Washington, whose contact with and understanding of the white majority is greater than any living Negro, does, and will depend upon reason—reason fortified with achievement in spite of restrictions, to ultimately properly adjudicate the just claims of his people.

UNITED BRETHREN OF TEXAS.

Secretary Makes His Annual Report.

The Board of Directors of the Mutual Aid Department of the Grand Lodge, United Brothers of Friendship of Texas, met in this city. The following are the members: President, W. P. Bledsoe, Marshall; Secretary, F. W. Gross, Houston; Treasurer, Joseph Nichols, Houston. The Secretary, F. W. Gross, made the following report of receipts for the three months ending November 30:

For widows and orphans	$22,035.75
For Grand Lodge taxes	1,488.20
For rent of office building	765.00
For burial taxes	310.50
For interest on investment, etc.	177.77
For reserve	110.50
For home and business taxes	106.24
For the sale of supplies	91.50
For the change of policies	12.25
For National Grand Lodge Taxes	1.82
Total receipts for the three months	$25,099.53

The Board set aside $22,[illegible] to pay death claims for the quarter. This was a very important meeting, as the management of more than $15,000 of property received much attention.

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Hanging o'er the old front gate,
Looking up and down the street;
Thinking, where are they all now,
John, Bill, and our little Pete?

In that schoolhouse over there—
See the sun just o'er the hill?
There I studied long ago
With little Pete, John and Bill.

They all left home, one by one:
John first—he went off to sea;
Bill liked farming—he went West;
Little Pete was left with me.

We worked to try and forget
School days and all of its joys;
But now Pete's gone I'm all alone—
Gee! I'd like to see those boys!

Perhaps some day they'll show up,
I'll just have patience and wait;
But somehow I can't keep from
Hanging o'er the old front gate.

ORLANDO, FLA.

Loyal Neighbors Invade the State of Florida.

The United Loyal Neighbors of the World organized a branch of the order here, which is composed of some of our leading citizens, and starts out with bright prospects. The local camp is known as Rising Sun lamp. The following officers were elected: Mrs. Queen Wooden, N. C.; Ella Saunders, V. C.; Martha Nelson, P. C.; William Grimes, chaplain; Minnie Sweet, clerk; M. L. Stephens, assistant clerk; Lucy Hanzizer, treasurer; William Edding, warden; E. A. Wooden, Prince Stephens, C. Spencer, trustees; Henry Mills, watchman; Will Mays, picket.

SCOOBA, MISS.

Charlie McClean, brother of T. C. McClean, departed this life December 1. His body was forwarded to his old home at West Point, Miss....Rev. Prince has built a nice house on his place, west of Scooba. ....A. M. Williams is repairing old shoes. Give him your trade....Mrs. T. G. Mitchell, D. G. W. C., is organizing a new Court of Calanthe at Scooba....Hardy Beck son of Brother Stillie, was seriously stabbed Saturday night....Call in at Fred D. White's store and get the Freeman.

TEXARKANA, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

A Negro brach of the Y. M. C. A. was organized here on the Texas side, aided by a few of the leading citizens. C. A. Barrett completed the organization of the colored Y. M. C. A. and secured rooms at 218½ West Broad street. The following officers and directors were elected: Prof. W. T. Daniels, President; Dr. J. W. Long, Vice-President; J. W. Washington, Secretary; W. Walker, Treasurer; C. A. Barrett, General Secretary; Directors, A. L. Mitchell, A. M. Plant, R. S. Stout, S. J. Spencer, L. D. Jones, D. J. Logan, G. W. Johnson, E. Edwards, D. C. Gatlin and Ed Haskins. It is the object of the organization to arrange rooms so as to be inkeeping with the growth of the city and make them so attractive as to attract the minds of the younger generation and lead them to higher and beter things. We hope for them success, and our prediction is, with the material they have in the organization, she will go to her acme, as we are in great need of something of the kind in Texarkana for the betterment of the young Negro. Probably he will stop the whisky and gambling habits.

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All wishing to enter the Institute for the winter term, which opens Tuesday, at noon, December 31, 1912, should write at once for a prospectus and application blank to the Principal, Rev. A. Eugene Thomson, Simpsonville, Ky.

A WORD TO NEGRO LEAGUES.

To the Presidents and Officers of Local Negro Business Leagues:

Now that the political campaign is over and we are free to give our attention to matters that more directly concern our welfare as individuals and as communities, I want to urge upon each Local Negro Business League throught the United States to cut out a definite piece of work that the League may accomplish during the coming winter.

First—In order to accomplish some definite thing, each League should have a regular time for meeting.

Second—A regular program should be mapped out in advance of each meeting.

Third—Each League should have a special attractive place to meet in.

Fourth—Each League should consider carefully what the organization can do to promote the welfare of the community in business and commercial directions.

There never has been such commercial prosperity existing thorughout the country as is true to-day, and our people should share in this prosperity.

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If your League has not had a meeting for some time, see that one is called at once and new life is put into the organization.

Persons desiring to organize new Local Negro Business Leagues may secure information by writing to Mr. Emmett J. Scott, Corresponding Secretary, Tuskegee Institute, Alabama.

(Signed) BOOKER T. WASHINGTON.

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After his team had been dragging along for eight innings on the short end of a 4-to-3 score, Duncan donned the hero clothes at Vernon by landing on a grooved one for four bases, driving Dougherty ahead of him and thereby winning the third game of the series for the Giants.

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GIANTS WIN LAST OF SERIES FROM NAGLE'S SQUAD

Although they won their game with the Tufts-Lyons aggregation, 7 to 1, at Vernon, the Giants did not take the league lead, as the McCormicks dropped the last game of the series to the southern athletes, and as a result they are still tied with San Diego for first honors.

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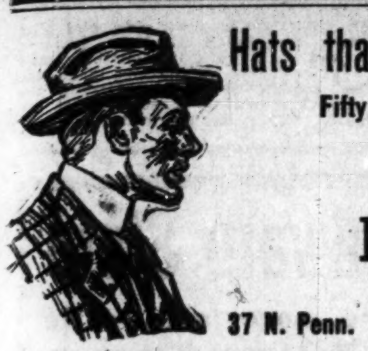

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FRANKFORT, Ky. (Special).—At the beautiful residence of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Reid, on Normal Heights, there was held the most picturesque twentieth wedding anniversaries ever witnessed in the Capital City. Mr. and Mrs. Reed have been of great assistance to our people for a number of years. For a number of years Mr. Reid was an instructor and dean of the State Normal School, which position he resigned to accept a place in the United States revenue service. Mrs. Reid is a busy mistress at her home and is also the owner of a grocery store. Mr. and Mrs. Reid are active in church and lodge work. The house was beautifully decorated. At the enterance of the residence were many Japanese lanterns, expressing welcome to the guests. The rooms were adorned in sago palms, Boston ferns and smilax. Miss Steele, of Georgetown, played the wedding music. Mrs. D. E. Reid was handsomely gowned in a real lace over a green silk with a white tulle veil. The wedding procession was composed of Prof. and Mrs. Rollins James, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Werren, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Reid, Dr. E. E. Underwood and Mrs. E. B. Jones. Rev. D. C. Carter of the A. M. E. church, united the couple in wediock. Many handsome and useful presents were given. The guests were well dressed, and were as follows: Mrs. Rollins James, white messaline and pearl trimming; Mrs. F. Cray, lace over blue messaline; Mrs. Jake Warren, peacock satin; Miss S. P. Steele, of Georgetown, satin with chiffon over-dress and a diamond necklace; Mrs. Pat Greene, black satin spangle net; Mrs. J. H. Guy, blue silk; Mrs. Oliver Richardson, white silk; Miss Myrtle Titus, blue satin; Mrs. Anna T. O'Neal, black dress and black beaver and winter plume; Mrs. James Brown, green satin trimmed in real lace and white French gloves; Mrs. E. B. Davis, of Georgetown, pink crepe; Miss Lettie Todd, black broadcloth; Mrs. Carrie Mooney, black silk; Mrs. James Lyons, white silk; Mrs. B. P. Madison, pea-green satin and silk trimming; Miss Charity Boyd, smoke leather broadcloth; Mrs. L. Higgiton, black silk; Miss E. B. Irvington, Georgetown, white embroidered veil over pink messaline silk, with diamond bands in her hair; Mrs. C. W. Jones, black silk; Mrs. B. T. Harvey, steel silk and lace; Mrs. W. W. Wilson, heliotrope blue silk with oriental trimming; Mrs. E. Renix, peacock blue; Mrs. Cordelia Jones, black satin; Mrs. Mary E. Reid, white broadcloth; Mrs. Florida Chase, black silk with lace; Miss Martha Williams, red velvet; Mrs. Bettie Lankfort, blue silk; Mrs. M. Johnson, white satin; Mrs. G. P. Russell, black chiffon; Mrs. Mary Baxter, white satin; Mrs. F. Hockerdy, black satin; Mrs. P. L. Jones, gray satin; Miss E. M. Hudge, of Maude, Ky., white embroidery over blue silk; Miss Violet Steward, of Lexington, black satin; Miss Selena Mayo, white with pearl trimming.

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Former Governor J. C. W. Beckham, one o fthe most influential jurists in the state, has announced his candidacy for United States senator. He served well the state for two terms, entering upon his duties as chief executive at a very critical time—a time when Kentucky was wrought up over the killing of Mr. Goeble. He was the youngest governor Kentucky has had, and is a man of high moral standing. He left a record that no other governor has so far left. He was boldly in favor of Woodrow Wilson for the presidency, and gave much valuable assistance in securing his pluarality in this state. Mr. Beckham displayed his fearless loyalty to his party while other politicians were "on the fence" waiting to see which way the tide would turn. Ex-Governor Beckham is imbued with the same sterling qualities as were Washington, Jefferson and Garrison, and fights boldly for what he thinks is right. During his incumbancy of office Mr. Beckham signed nearly $100,000 worth of bills for the colored State Normal School, and was a true friend to all the people regardless of color. He showed his fairness to the race when he sent state soldiers to protect a Negro who had murdered a white man, in order that the fellow might have a fair and impartial trial. At the funeral of his friend, Prof. Samuel Vancleave, he vowed his loyalty to the widow and two children of the deceased, which was only one of the noble traits of character possessed by this man. Hon. J. C. W. Beckham is undoubtedly the people's choice for the high position of senator. He was the choice of the people a few years ago, but on account of a few Democratic traitors was defeated. The writer is acquainted with Mr. Beckham's family at Shelbyville, and can truthfully say that he never met a more loyal family than these excellent people. This statement will be verified by anyone who has ever worked for the family or been associated with them in any way.

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Last week were highly favored with good shows at the Capital theater. "Billy the Kid" made a big hit and left a good impression on the audiences of this city. The show was a good one and was highly appreciated by the patrons of the Capital. It is now playing in Indianapolis, Ind., at the Park theater. Another good entertainment was Al G. Fields' Minstrels. This is an excellent aggregation of funmakers, which is always welcomed to this city. Many catchy songs are being sung and whistled on the streets since the minstrels were here.

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The "Mikado" will be presented here on December 10, under the direction of Mr. Wayland Graham, assisted by a church choir. The production is an excellent one, and will no doubt be a great drawing card.

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The vaudeville shows are fine, and the motion pictures, which are changed semiweekly, are of the best character.

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Mrs. Christina Browder, president of the Baptist Club, will give an entertainment at her residence on Wilkerson street for the purpose of raising funds for the new pool. An excellent menu will be served. The public is invited.

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Mr. Ben Combs spent a happy Thanksgiving with his many friends out of the city.

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A party of young men gave a turtle supper at Henry Bush's restaurant on Washington street. A nice crowd was in attendance. Prof. Sam Guy's orchestra furnished the music.

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Mrs. C. L. Timberlake, instructor at the State Normal, was called to Bowling Green on account of the illness of Mrs. Parolee Guthrie.

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Mrs. James Brown is much elated over her trip to Louisville, and expresses her thanks to the many friends who entertained her while there.

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Mr. Richard Combs and Mrs. Catherine Taylor spent Thanksgiving with Mr. M. Clay at Hogue Station.

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Mr. Henry Robinson is in Louisville.

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Mrs. Florence Brown has returned from Shelbyville.

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Mrs. Lou Russell spent a day in Lex-

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ington this week.

Miss Sidney Adams was called to Versailles on account of the illness of her grandmother.

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Mrs. Viola L. Booker, of Cincinnati, is in the city, the guest of her mother, Mrs. Belle Shelton.

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Mrs. Sam Williams and son were the guests of her mother, Mrs. Lizzie Patterson, at Newtown.

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Miss Julia S. Young spent Thanksgiving with her father in Maysville.

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Miss Atherline Payton arrived in the city from Winchester this week. She was met by many admirers. While in the city she was the guest of Mrs. August Morton.

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"Hiawatha" was presented at Hume hall Friday night, under the direction of Miss Harriet V. Tucker. The production was good and deserving of much credit. Miss Tucker is doing much in this city to raise the standard of literary work among our people, and her efforts in this direction were plainly to be seen in the presentation of this excellent piece.

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Miss Minnie Liton, of Lexington, is the guest of Misses Christina and Annie Rebecca Bryant.

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Miss Lillian Polk, of Louisville, was the guest of Miss Charity Boyd this week.

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Frankfort sent a large delegation to the Danville meeting of the State Federation of Women's Clubs. Misses Martha Williams, Katie Willis, Selena Mayo, Vergie Madison, Julia Spencer, Mrs. Minnie B. Jackson, Mrs. T. L. Brooks, Mrs. Florence Hockerdy, Mrs. P. W. Williams and Mrs. Sarah Underwood were delegates to the sessions from this city.

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Mrs. Tobitha Anderson, state organizer of the Federation of Women's Clubs, was present at the Danville meeting. An attempt was made to rob her at Winchester by some sneak thief. Notwithstanding this unfortunate incident, she arrived at the sessions on schedule time.

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Miss Josephine Lee, of Lexington, was the guest of Miss Willie Edwards this week.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Spencer, of Chicago, are in the city.

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Mrs. Hattie M. Riley gave a Thanksgiving party for Mr. and Mrs. Tandy, Misses Anna Gatewood and Mary E. Gaines and "Kandy Kid," of Lexington.

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Mrs. Mary Greene is very ill.

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Mrs. Dice Baker, of Richmond, was in the city the guest of her father this week.

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Mrs. Hulda Brown has returned from Latonia.

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Miss Rosa Sanders, of Louisville, is the guest of Mrs. Mucks.

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Misses Susie and Rebecca Lee, of Versailles, were the guests of Miss Lucile Lampkin this week.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wells are very sick.

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Dr. J. R. and G. L. Campbell, of Lawrenceburg, were the guests of the city recently.

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Miss Maggie Walk was a guest of the city this week.

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The Miss Christina and Annie Rebecca Bryant gave a party in honor of Miss Minnie Litton, of Lexington. The house was artiscally decorated with many beautiful flowers. A five-course menu was served, and all those present enjoyed a pleasant evening.

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Messrs. G. W. and Henry Martin have returned from Indianapolis, Ind., where they were called on account of the illness of Miss Annie Martin at the home of Mr. Hubert Martin.

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Mr. Lewis Twyman, a very popular young man, who has been ill for the past five weeks, is now able to be up again. He wishes to thank his many friends, both white and colored, for their kindness during his illness.

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Mayas Hayden, of Williamsore, was in the city Thanksgiving, the guest of Miss Julia Smith.

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Miss Atherline Payton, of Louisville, who was the guest of Mrs. August Morton, left for her home Sunday night.

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The Kentucky State Normal, as usual, cleaned up on the Channel Normal School boys Thanksgiving day at Glenwood park in this city. It was a good game, and poor Channel Normal needs someone's sympathy.

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Moonlight dancing or the trukey trot were, perhaps, the program of an entertainment given at the Odd Fellows' hall Thanksgiving night by Ruth Temple and Camp Douglass. The writer mentioned these Negro entertainments last week in the Frankfort notes and he was debarred. I suppose these mere churchgoers, who are giving what they have been fighting in the churches, felt a little bit shy of their servant coming in among them. This accounts for the failure of a preacher, who held a revival a few weeks ago, not being able to get a convert. There are too many of these so-called christians helping to sap the very good morals from the youth of the community. I was debarred, it is true, but from other sources come the reports that some very bad things went on. If any think the writer is a liar, he will give proof in next week's issue. If any one wishes to make a statement contrary to what I have said, you may do so in these columns. All I ask is a square deal, which I always try to give. And when I don't get it, regardless of who you are or how well you stand socially or financially, I will give you as much as you send. Remember, a word to the wise is sufficient. Please don't forget it.

MERIDIAN, MISS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Dr. and Mrs. Wayne Howard, who were married at Bessemer, Ala., November 28, have been visiting his brother, Dr. E. E. Howard, and family on Twenty-sixth avenue and Twelfth street, the past week. We extend our best wishes to Dr. and Mrs. Howard....Mrs. M. E. Johnson's mother died here very recently and was buried at the Masonic cemetery....Mr. James Johnson has been quite sick at his home on West Side. He is now slowly improving....Thanksgiving was appropriately observed in Meridian. All the different churches held services. Rev. L. R. Benjamin held services at the Thirty-first Avenue Baptist church; Rev. C. T. Stamps held services at El Bethel Baptist church, and Rev. N. W. Wallace helped with the Little Sunshine Society rally at the Pilgrim Baptist church at night. Quite a neat sum was raised for the church. The day was an ideal one for people to attend church and worship Him the giver of all good and perfect gifts....The Freeman reporter and agent has been sick for the past week with la grippe. He is a little better at this writing....Dr. Chas. Stewart, who has been reporting the A. M. E. conference at Laurel the past week, came to Meridian December 1 and delivered an able sermon to a fair congregation at St. Paul M. E. church at 8 p. m. in the evening. Owing to the inclemency of the weather not many ventured out. Dr. Stewart has many warm friends in this city. Rev. L. W. Price entertained him while he was here....Mrs. D. King has been sick the past week at her home on Fifth street. We are glad to report her some better....Mr. John W. Lee, a well-known colored carpenter, was found dead at his home in the East End November 24. It is thought that he died from heart failure. He was buried by Strayhorn, Berry & Co. November 25. He was a good man and well liked by all....Mr. C. T. Butler, a prominent K. of P., who has been on the sick list for some time, is improving nicely....Rev. L. S. Lee delivered an able sermon at New Hope Baptist church Sunday. His subject was the "Five Loaves and Two Fishes."

A CATHOLIC MISSION AT MILWAUKEE, WIS.

A mission will be given by the Rev. J. H. Dorsey, one of the five colored Catholic priests of the country, under the jurisdiction of Capt. L. C. Valle and the Capuchin Fathers, at the colored Catholic Mission, 311 Ninth street, Milwaukee, Wis., commencing December 15 at 10 o'clock a. m. All the colored people are invited, regardless of religious beliefs.

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Guess this weather is snappish enough, all right.

Look for our splendid Christmas edition. It will be thoroughly illustrated. See the progress of the race.

The Republican and Democratic Congressmen have reached a plane of entente cordiale on the division of the spoils for the near future. So much for diplomacy.

We are pleased to note that Minister Crum is not dead, as reported. He has been very ill with what is known as the African fever. He is better at this time, and is expected to recover completely.

Dr. J. E. Moreland, the international secretary of the Y. M. C. A., when in the city a few days ago, expressed himself as highly satisfied with the progress of the work throughout the country. He was shown many courtesies in earnest of the esteem in which he is held as an individual and as a worker in his chosen field.

He who comes up to his own idea of greatness, must have always had a very low standard of it in his mind.—Ruskin.

Ain't it the truth? The really great will see some one ahead just a bit greater. If his ideal is overtaken, then another looms up, and so on. It's the feeling of the artist who simply quits his picture, never feeling quite satisfied with it.

Cary B. Lewis, of Chicago, is in the city this week circulating among his friends. He took his turkey in his old home, Louisville, Ky. Mr. Lewis prides himself on being the pdotege of Marse Henri Watterson, the well-known editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal. The young man is in line for something good, since he is of Mr. Watterson's political faith. He was not without works during the last campaign.

Bishop Alexander Walters was tendered a banquet by the colored citizens of Greater New York, December 4. The guests represented all shades of political beliefs; they laid aside their opinions as testimony of their regard for the man. The bishop was hailed as the new Moses of the race by his enthusiastic admirers. Something must be allowed for the ebullition of spirits on such an occasion, yet the banqueters were not very far out of the way, if at all. The bishop has been a leader for lo! these many years. At last he has come to victory with his party; consequently he will be more regarded, and deservedly so.

The Filipinos should have the most to say as to their independence, regardless of our views and pledges. The understanding is that the islanders are pretty well satisfied with their condition. If this is true, our country will do the wise thing in controlling just as it has been doing. The Filipinos, we take it, have learned that the Americans are not totally heartless. Barring the color and race incident, our government is incomparably the best. As pertains to the government per se, it is all right. The trouble is that men bring their prejudices into public office, just as Governor Blease, of South Carolina, does.

The Filipinos will only suffer on the score of color, if at all. They are the people; they are greatly in majority. Really, the white people among them are not more than incidental. This being the case, they should have plain sailing. They get the advantage of the white man's wisdom and experience minus his prejudices. They get a minimum of prejudice, at least.

The Negro politicians of the State of Pennsylvania have the reputation of having used up $20,000 already of the State's money, looking forward to the celebration of the Emancipation Proclamation, presumably the fiftieth anniversary. A commission was created by the legislature known as the Emancipation Proclamation Commission of Pennsylvania. The $20,000 has been exhausted in preliminaries by the aforesaid, and now they are asking for $30,000 more.

According to report, these preliminaries were on the order of subsidies to the Negro politicians over the State who had to be hushed. Jealousies arose over the good thing that was passing. It had to be expended in order to get the support necessary, meaning a big salary list of political factotums, who exhausted the fund at the rate of more than $1,000 per month, including office and its incidents.

The white press, having caught onto the little affair, got busy. It has ventilated the affair, giving up some facts that are not in the interest of the $30,000 prayed for.

It is said that the Turks had no heart in their recent war, at least those of Stamboul or Constantinople, the capital. It is said that within the gates red-winged war refused to flutter down, enveloping as a pall, as it might have been. They still married and gave in marriage, even if the lions did cub in the streets, as it were. The gay revellers yet frequented the cafes and brothels, refusing to be afraid.

"There was a sound of revelry by night,
And all Belgium's capital were gathered there,"

or something very similar, Lord Byron has it.

And perhaps it—this mirth, this glee—was not out of a spirit of indifference. It possibly were the psychology of circumstances—heaven's economy, instituting the other extreme, as if in mitigation of the too untoward circumstance, thus making for an average condition, and hence tolerable for human existence. The joy of such times, one will think, is tinged with madness; through it creeps the taint of sorrow and trouble that's being drowned. Else why should Byron say,

"On with the dance,
Let joy be unconfined;
No, sleep till morrow morn,"

when the battle was at the very gates?

BISHOP ALEXANDER WALTERS.

According to information from New York, effort has been made to discredit the distinguished bishop as a sort of referee as it concerns the offices that are likely to come to the Negro contingent of the Democratic party. Perhaps the bishop has not been called on to act as the court of the last resort in such matter. It is very likely, however, that advice will be asked of some one when it comes to giving offices to the Negro Democrats. In that event it is likely that the bishop will be consulted. And where is a better fitted individual? Not only is he prepared by way of mature judgment, but he is prepared owing to his experience as to who's who in the Negro Democratic ranks.

Those who know anything about the Negro's part in politics within the last fifteen or twenty years will at once consent that Bishop Walter is the man for the place. Years ago he stood for the division of the Negro vote, sometimes standing nearly alone. If any Negro was earnest in the advocacy of Democracy, it was Bishop Walters. He had nothing to gain. He was already at the head of a great church, consequently beyond temptation through the seductive influence of political office. His church was not always with him, nor is it now, as a whole. But he carried his political gospel of salvation right into "Africa"—went into the churches, insisting that the question—the race question—was greater than that of mere politics. He insisted on the right as an American citizen to use his influence as he saw it, to bring about the change that he felt was necessary. Members of his bench—the episcopacy—were not always a unit in countenancing Bishop Walters' political activities, if they were at any time. But through it all he stood like a stone wall, unspotted of men as to his political integrity.

Bishop Walters endured meannesses from his own race, and for no other reason than that he chose his own way of helping those who inflicted the meannesses. Many a man would have fainted and fallen long ere this. But not Bishop Walters. He knew too well the story of St. Paul; he ran the race with patience. The weights that beset him were endeared; taking yet another greater character as his example, and who said, "Forgive them, for they know not what they do." In a sense, he has been a martyr, suffering indignities from his own race that he doubtless is ashamed to acknowledge.

We do not choose to discuss the question of his attitude, insisting, however, that whatever it was—Democrat, Prohibition or Socialist—it was something that concerned him. It was his privilege. He chose to be a Democrat, a good, stanch, persistent one. Anything that can come to him should not be begrudged. He does not ask office, we will think, valuing his present position as above any that could come to him by appointment. When President-elect Wilson comes to know Bishop Walters for what he has done without the hope of political reward, he will not leave him out of the consultation if there's going to be any consultation.

DR. J. E. MORELAND ENTERTAINED.

Dr. J. E. Moreland, international secretary of the Y. M. C. A., was entertained when in the city as follows:

Dinner on Sunday by Madame C. J. Walker, in company with Mr. Geo. L. Knox.

Lunch by Thos. E. Taylor, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., in company with Geo. L. Knox.

Dinner Monday by H. L. Sanders, in company with Thos E. Taylor and Geo. L. Knox.

Luncheon Monday evening by Dr J. H. Ward.

CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

(By n. L. Breedlove, Phone 1658.)

The Progressive Club gave its first annual informal dance at the Elks' Hall auditorium, on Wednesday evening, December 4. The hall was beautifully decorated with blue and white streamers, and the orchestra stand was decorated with ferns. Johnson's orchestra furnished the music. The orchestra played twenty-one numbers. About eighty couples attended. Every one seemed to have a very nice time. The way the affair was conducted is worthy of commendation. The committee was Gus Dixson, Walter Davis, Allen Green and Harvey Everhart..Mrs. Elizabeth Smith and husband, of Peoria, were in the city last week visiting Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Lizza Kirk, on North Prairie street. They also attended the Progressive dance..Mr. Henry Harrison, of Gibson City, attended the Progressive dance..Mr. Johnson, of Indianapolis, has come to Champaign to live....Mr. Charles Ellis, of Altamont, Ill., was here for the dance....Mr. Daniel Webb, who was shot some time ago at the Beardsley hotel, where he was employed, is getting along nicely. He is up and around, but is not able to do any work....Rev. Jones, of Bethel A. M. E. church, on Sunday morning spoke on "Devoted Attachment to the Church," and at the Sunday evening services, he spoke on "Three Great Questions." The Stewardesses Board met at the residence of Mrs. Lulu Burton, on Stoughton street, on Monday evening. The annual conference of the Springfield district of the Illinois conference opened Wednesday morning for a session of two days....Henry Hines, 17 South Water street, entertained his father, aged 103. The old man comes from Cape Girardeau county, Missouri, and arrived in Champaign Thursday morning, December 5. It is conceded that he is the oldest man in Champaign county. Reminiscences are freely recalled by the old man. He can remember when he played marbles with the Indians of southern Missouri, and says he lived there when Missouri was still a territory. In its truly literal sense he is referred to in his home town as the Old Man of the little town. While the newspapers refer to him as a veteran resident, as spry as a kitten. The old man has attracted considerably attention during his visit here. He came originally to have his eyes treated, but when told Thursday that an operation by an occulist was necessary, he energetically shook his head and said "nay." His youngest child is past sixty years of age. Henry Hines, another son, is sixty-three. Mrs. Jones, of East Church street, is a daughter. The old man's wife died forty-three years ago, and he did not marry again....Master Harry Hines, of Girard Tower, Ill., is here visiting Ray Hines, his brother, who is attending the Champaign high school.

HENDERSON, KY.

Happenings and Social, Personal and General News.

Everybody is looking forward to the coming of the Indiana orchestra on December 19, for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A....Many social functions are being planned for the holidays, among them being the big Masonic banquet. There will be several house parties and many visitors are expected in the city....The Flower Girls' Club of the First Baptist church met at the residence of Miss Juliette C. Clark....The B. Y. P. U. of the First Baptist church reorganized Sunday evening. The meeting was addressed by Rev. Craft Field, secretary of the National Negro B. Y. P. U....Mrs. Sylvester Cooksey, of Evansville, was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Orton....See La Vetta Jones for the Freeman....Mr. Andrew Hancock, who has been in Terre Haute, Ind., returned to this city Wednesday....Rev. W. J. M. Price and Rev. P. H. Kennedy left Monday morning for Louisville to attend the executive board meeting of the General Association....W. B. Taylor's orchestra will give another big dance Thursday evening....Miss Lucille B. Kennedy is on the sick list....Mrs. Mary Taylor is convalescent....The condition of Mrs. Ann McCormick is reported as being about the same....Miss Fostina Miller is on the sick list....Mr. H. Francis Jones spent Tuesday in Elkton....Mr. Deloss F. Cabell is ill at his home in the country....Mr. and Mrs. Owen Carr were visited by the stork which left them a fine baby.

DALLAS, TEXAS.

Park Theater.

The weather has turned awfully cool, but we still continue to have our usual large crowds.

Harry Sanford and Vera Adams scored a hit singing "The Band Played 'Dixie'."

Carrie Overstreet took two encores singing "That Daffy Rag."

Lovie Wightman has written a new song and has been requested by the Dallas patrons to sing it.

Mrs. Susie Harris set Dallas wild singing "Dying Rag."

Lena Carry and Ollie Cox, the Dallas favorite team, made a big hit, as usual.

Our concert orchestra, composed of Chas. Harris, violinist; Ada Greer, pianist; S. Green, cornetist; Vernia Johnson, trombone, and Jessie Akins, trap drums, is now entertaining our large crowds with the popular music of the day.

The ghost never fails to walk. In fact, every Tuesday morning is Christmas to his company.

EASTERN THEATRICAL NOTES.

(By Billy E. Jones.)

Well, I had the pleasure of meeting one of the most talkative and amusing individuals I ever met. He is no other than Mr. Griffith B. Wilson, one of the Indianapolis boys, and also one of the old performers. I met him by chance at Mr. Jackson's printing establishment in West Thirty-seventh street, New York. He can converse with you on any subject and he never tires. Mr. Wilson would like to hear from his friend, Mr. Al Hatts, whom he wrote to at Lake Charles, La., where the Patti Company played recently. Address, 238 West 136th street, New York.

Billy E. Jones' Cabaret Trio, instrumentalists and vocalists, scored a distinct hit in Brooklyn Sunday at one of the cabaret shows. They are featuring the latest popular melodies with great success.

Fiddler and Shelton this week at the New Academy, Buffalo, N. Y.

Hart and J. Rosamond Johnson, who are working as a team, will sail for Europe the end of this month, opening in Liverpool January 6, to be followed by a run at the London Hippodrome.

The Hugo Bros.' Minstrels, with Billy Kersands, who are en route through Australia, opened at the Bijou theater, Melbourne, recently. It was the first metropolitan showing the organization has had since it arrived there. The Era Quartet is the big noise.

Billy E. Jones' Cabaret Entertainers, instrumentalists and vocalists, who scored a big hit at the opening of their first engagement in Brooklyn recently, have been booked for the rest of the season by the Orlander Amusement Company, to fill all their club engagements in and around New York.

Miss Laura Brown, pianist and vocalist, of Newark, N. J., will soon enter vaudeville in a cabaret act with Billy E. Jones and girls for the New York Sunday concerts. Rehearsals will start next week.

The Pewees open at the Auditorium in Philadelphia week of December 16.

Sipp and Ringgold opened on the Fox time at the City theater, New York, last Monday and scored nicely.

NEW YORK CITY NOTES.

(By the Old Owl.)

Lincoln Theater.

At the Lincoln theater week before last Bertha Cooper, Humes and Lewis, Jim Towell, Delyons and Hamilton, gave the patrons of that theater a No. 1 good show. But the past week has broke all records for straight vaudeville. Manager Elmore figures far ahead for the coming week's show, and it promises to be a good one.

Miss Mamie Mullen, the little professor, is quite a pianist. In fact, she plays several instruments, the violin being her favorite. At one time she was with her father and mother, the act being known as the Mullen Trio, doing a musical turn. They were good, and up to the time of their retirement from the stage the parents were well known to the profession.

Miss Helen Clifford (white) opened last week's bill—and she opened it. After the first performance she was engaged for the week instead of two days. Next came Lee and Lee, a very clever singing and talking act, which went big.

Professor Barnes, the strong man, was a wonder to all who saw him. His age is just twenty-two, and he weighs 190 pounds. He has a great act, and it was well received.

The Texas Tommy Four closed the bill. Without doubt the bill had been opened and closed. This act was assisted by Pugh and Lillard. They do eighteen minutes' of red-hot cross-fire talk, good singing and whirlwind dancing. From this theater and under Mr. Elmore's management they have received seven weeks of booking over the Speedy time, on which they opened Monday.

Family Theater, Eighth Avenue.

The Overton Sisters opened the bill, and the act was closed after the first performance. This is the second time this act has been closed in this house. The management says the first time was enough, but had given them credit for a great improvement since four months ago. And then, some of their friends had boosted the act, which also caused him to give them another chance. They have been given a fair trial and found wanting, and I am one of the jurymen in the case.

Then came Miss Maude Jones, who started the ball to rolling. She has a very sweet voice and knows just how to use it. Miss Jones is a clever performer.

Miss Lavina Turner is a favorite at this house and goes bigger each time she appears here.

The act of the City Four was a scream from start to finish. The management expects to have them return in a short time.

WHAT'S WHAT ON THE DUDLEY CIRCUIT.

Week December 9, 1912.

Washington, D. C.—S. H. Dudley theater, Lew W. Henry, manager: Robinson and White, Gertie Williams, Billy Nichols. Fairland theater, Frank Kearney, manager: Payne and Lazzo, Too Sweets.

Petersburg, Va.—Idle Hour theater, Pat Northington, manager: Ray and Taylor, Daisy Martin, Clarence Powell.

Richmond, Va.—Dixie theater, W. J. Coulter, manager: Whitman Sisters and Toy Comedians.

Norfolk, Va.—Globe theater, J. Van Buskirk, manager: Jeff DeMount, The Arntes and Gus Smith.

Newport News, Va.—S. H. Dudley theater, Matt Lewis, manager: James Crosby and his all-star stock company.

Wilmington, N. C.—Queen theater, Morris Whippler, manager: Susie Sutton and four other big acts.

Greensboro, N. C.—Gaiety theater, T. J. McAdoo, manager: Wilson and Berry, the Great Anderson.

(The Western Wheel, Tim Owsley, Mgr.)

Indianapolis, Ind.—Crown Garden theater, Tim Owsley, manager: Irwin Richardson Trio, Brown Girls, Martin and Motley, Thompson and Radcliff.

Cleveland, Ohio—Oriole theater, O. J. Harris, manager: Vaudeville and stock.

Columbus, Ohio—Dunbar theater, Anita Wilkins, assistant manager: Vaudeville and stock.

Lexington, Ky.—Gem theater, A. R. Bell, manager: Four big acts of vaudeville.

Memphis, Tenn. — Savoy theater, A. Brasso, manager: Five big acts of vaudeville.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Circle theater, Geo. Bundy, manager: Two Macks, Hester Kenton and three acts.

Watch for our Christmas ad.

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Coatsburg, Ill., December 12; Plymouth, 13; Bowen, 14; Golden, 16; Clayton, 17; Mt. Sterling, 18; Versailles, 19; Bluffs, 20.

OLIO THEATER, LOUISVILLE, KY.

Thornton Big City Trio scored great success Monday night at the Olio theater, Louisville, Ky. Miss Twinkle was forced to take three enosrec in singing "Baby, Please Don't Shake Me While I'm Gone" and "Summer Girl," and Miss Eva sang "Ain't Nothing Doing What You Are Thinking About," and with "Cherokee" called for much applause and laughter. Billy Mills and the great Adams scored heavily. Harry Martin, the cornetist, and Mr. Spalding, the pianist, and Mr. Oliver Coleman, trap-drummer, furnish pleasing music.

THE MAJESTIC THEATER, COLUMBIA, MO.

Business still continues good. We have our balcony completed and are able to seat 500 people. W. L. Harne is still holding up the managerial end, while H. Johnson takes the change in the box office. Andrew B. Cargier's time is about equally divided between orchestra and operating the picture machine.

Miss Creita Edwards, our pianist, keeps the audience with her at all times.

Willie Owens, the boy with the big voice, and Miss Ella Gains are sending them away nightly. Pugsley and Gardner, a first-class team, who have just closed at our house, delivered the goods at each performance.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryant have returned to their home from Chicago, where they have been on a visit.

Miss Bettie Crews, of St. Louis, is here visiting her mother, Miss Isabella Turner and other friends.

THE AUDITORIUM THEATER. PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Everything offered last week at the Auditorium theater was so good that it was a difficult task to pick out any one of the four acts and say that it was the best. In its own way, each act was a gem, and it depended on the person whether pearls, sapphires or diamonds was their choice. Speaking of pearls, perhaps the black pearls, the blackface comedians, Bright and Williams, were the most pleasing to all tastes. Their work was far away from that of minstrels, and their work was extraordinarily clever. Two African princes, with songs and chorus, had a little plot, which served to string together the eccentricities of the Brooks-Smith Players Co., which kept the audience in a happy mood all the time, and i nturn Marion Brooks, Alberta Williams, Ludell Price, Theresa Burroughs, Speedy Smith, Joe Bright, and William Hyatt, did their best. The Clippers were clever in songs, comedy and dancing, and received their share of applause. In the singing of new syncopated songs, Mattie Dorsey Whitman, a well-groomed entertainer, proved to be most able, and Miss Whitman has a particularly pleasing voice, and as there was something cute about her way, the hit that she made was of the unmistakable sort. Despite the fact that the holiday season is fast approaching, the house is crowded at every

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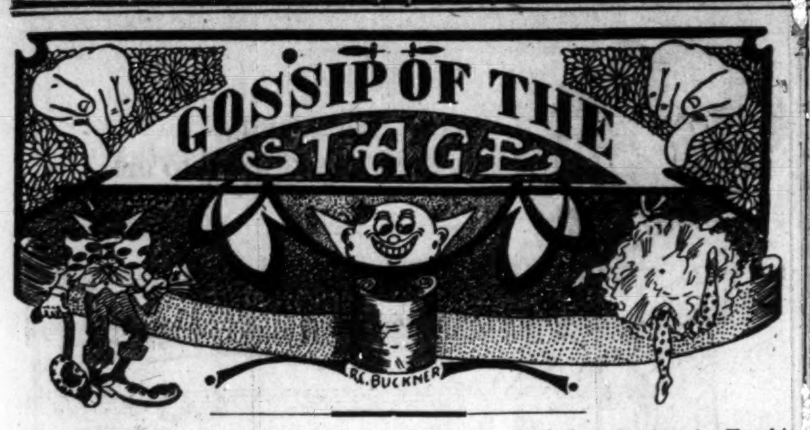

Walter Burgers opened at the Queen theater, Wilmington, N. C.

Williams and Stevens this week at Benton theater, Jersey City, N. J.

Elizabeth Van Clay closed at Charlotte, N. C., and is booked for three weeks at the Globe theater, Jacksonville, Fla.

John Gertrude, singing and talking comedian, is doing nicely at the Booker Washington theater, St. Louis, Mo., this week.

Bill Cross (Poor Boy) is still stage manager at the Grand theater, Augusta, Ga., where the Griffin Sisters play return date this week.

Matt D. Housley, of Housley and Nicholas, dropped in The Freeman office last Wednesday. They are playing at the Family theater this week.

The Brown Sisters are doing a return engagement at the Crown Garden, Indianapolis, this week. Doing a dainty turn. Getting the hands for artistic dancing.

Mrs. Ella Goodloe, who is working single, just closed a five weeks' engagement at the Twelfth Avenue theater, Nashville, Tenn., with Seals Stock Company, and has gone to Chattanooga.

Leon, the magician and ventriloquist, made some trip last week, visiting Durham, N. C., Greensboro, N. C., Charlotte, N. C., Spartansburg, S. C., Columbia, S. C., and now at Augusta, Ga., care general delivery.

Housely and Nicholas week of December 16, Champaign, Ill., Walker opera house; week December 23, Galesburg, Ill., Gaiety theater; week December 30, Burlington, Ia., Garrick theater; week January 6, Canton, Ill., Variety theater.

Miss Singleton, better known as Young Baby Seals, singing and dancing soubret, of St. Louis, came to Columbia, Mo., on a visit, having been here three days. Her husband, with some tears in his eyes, came for her, but as yet has not succeeded in persuading her to return to her little bungalow.

Fred Simpson and the Four Brass Men are in Toledo first half of this week, Lima last half, then Middletown, O., the 16, 17 and 18th. Piqua, O., Orpheum theater, 19, 20, 21; Springfield, O., Christmas week, at Gus Sun's own house. We are doing fine, thank you. Best regards to The Freeman force.

Pike theater, one of the finest theaters in the South, opened December 2 at Mobile, Ala. It is a S. R. O. house. Roseborough and Waters were the drawing card, packing the house for two weeks. This house will still be made larger and will play large productions. Such as the Smart Set, Black Patti, etc.

The Dallas Art School football team will play the Fort Worth High School, Christmas day at Gaston Park. Game called at 3:30 o'clock p. m. These games are being played to raise funds for a gymnasium for colored boys and girls of Dallas, Texas, under the management of Capt. John L. Jones, of Dallas, and Prof. Upshow, of Fort Worth.

Sam Lucas, dean of the colored theatrical profession, will be tendered a benefit by his friends next month. Bert A. Williams, Aida Overton Walker, James Rees Europe, president of the Clef Club, and a host of other leading lights in the profession, will apepar at the monster affair. Mr. Lucas, although seventy-one, is as chipper as his younger associates and is seen from time to time in the New York houses. He has recently announced that he will not appear on the stage again. To those who can go back many years it will be remembered that Sam Lucas was the first colored man to appear in a big dramatic play. The play was written by Miss Pauline Hopkins, and entitled "The Underground Railroad."

AT THE BUCKINGHAM. LOUISVILLE, KY.

When it is considered that it costs thousands of dollars and any amount of patience to launch a new show successfully a few words about the next attraction at the Buckingham theater, next week, wil lnot be amiss. The organization is known as Henry P. Dixon's Big Review Company. For years the troupe has been identified with all that is good and wholesome in the theatrical firmament and as a result has earned the reputation of being one of the best equipped companies of its kind on the road today. This season it expects to break all previous records for originality, freshness of its humor, original and inimitable features, catchy and lingering melodies, scenic investiture, glittering and stunning costumes, and pretty and bewitching women. The vehicle used is a two-act comedy, called "Hickey in Politics." At the helm of the production is Frankie Heath. She is a clever girl, magnetic and a star in all that the word implies. In the role of "Glorianna," she has a part which suits her talents to a nicety. Her breez yand captivating personality receives plenty of scope and she is just the sort of artist to help any offering to immediate success. Aided and abetted in the funmaking by Harry Le Van, a young man who long ago won his spurs as a dispenser of gloom, Miss Heath's natural charms loom conspicuously to the fore. The plot of the comedy tells of the adventures of a band of stranded burlesquers, who visit a small town in New England. In order to work their way back to civilization they are compelled to undergo a lot of unusual experiences. The fun commences immediately and there is no cessation in the mirth, which is carried at a merry clip from curtain to curtain. Introduced during the action of the piece one receives a glimpse of drama and a dash of burlesque and travesty. Well-known characters made famous in Broadway successes, past and present, are introduced and presented with as much fidelity to the originals as modern theatrical ingenuity will permit. There is not a dull period throughout the performance and one is sure to be amused, no matter what angle one may care to look at it. The entire offering is under the personal direction of Mr. Dixon, who, if commendatory press accounts and criticisms count for anything, has eclipsed all of his previous notable efforts. Matinees as usual.

THE NEW CROWN GARDEN.

The show offered this week pleases in spots, but worth the price of admission. Motion pictures are now being run and changed nightly.

Richardson, Tobias and Richardson.

Offered a comedy singing, talking and musical act which was very well received. It is noticeable that the act is new, but after a few weeks' trimming down it will be O. K. The female member of the act is very pretty and sings and talks nicely. Mr. Richardson, the straight man in the act, has a very pleasing tenor voice. Mr. Tobias, the music man and comedian, executed two little dities on the trombone and saxaphone which were well received. The act as a whole is very nice and will be better in the future after the rough edges have been taken off.

The Brown Sisters.

Return with a new act and go big from the start to the finish. Each of their songs are new and they dance well. The Brown Sisters deliver the goods and become favorites everywhere they play. The girls dress well and are very pretty, which goes to help make an act when ability is shown like the Brown Sisters deliver.

U. S. Thompson.

Better known as Slow Kid, continues to put the real laughs over. Slow Kid is much faster than most people think, if you go by his name.

Aggie Tanzel.

Never grows old with the Crown patrons. She is seen in a blackface character this week to a good advantage. Miss Tanzel's winning ways make her acceptable at all times.

Archie Jones & Co.

Mr. Jones is becoming a favorite with the Crown patrons more and more as they witness each of his performances. Each week he offers something new and funny. Mr. Jones is truly a good character comedian. Mrs. Jones has just joined her husband and adding her personal beauty to his acts makes things look brighter.

Even though Manager Tim, the "Wizard," gets a disappointment handed him by an act he always finds some way not to disappoint his patrons.

By K. C. E.

Notes.

Richardson, Tobias and Richardson, playing the Crown, are using their own original songs and are soon to go on the Michigan white time for eight weeks.

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The S. H. Dudley western time now has five consecutive weeks for all acts that like the West and no hard work. Tim E. Owsley is at the wheel as the western manager.

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Mrs. Jones, the little wife of Archie Jones, the character comedian, jumped all the way from Kansas City to play in his stock company now at the Crown Garden.

ALPHA THEATER, CLEVELAND, O.

The Gordon Bunch Company is having success with its cabaret in connection with the Booker T. Washington Stock Company, and taking nightly encores and pleasing the people.

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Oriole Theater.

Mayme Payne, heading the bill, with single act and packing the house in her Spanish songs and dance. Dixon and White are making good. Burton and Watts Company are storming the house with their latest compositions.

Mayme Payne finished the last half of last week at the Hippodrome in the place of disappointment, and made good.

Alberta Whitman and her Sunbeams played the week of December 9 at the Globe theater, Cleveland, Ohio. They are the talk of the town. She's got 'em.

Jack Winbush played the week of December 9 at the Anyshion theater, making good. Next week at the Globe. He is some dancer.

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I have been assistant manager and producer for one year for the Central theater, one of his three houses in Atlanta, which gives me an opportunity to handle nearly every act of repute that has played the South since 1911. And I have the first time to hear an act assert "I've got to lay off next week," or "I could go to ——; they want me there, but I can't get my trunks out, neither has the manager sent me a ticket." Are they compelled to remain in Atlanta until they can hear from some other place? I say no. Mr. Joel has never lost the combination on his safe when it comes to assisting an act. He is ever ready to say "How much do you need? All right, send it back when you are able."

These assertions are open for approval. Ask any act. Many who have never fallen into reverse circumstances will agree with me about these facts.

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I have just met the requirements of the copyright law to protect my many new acts, so managers, beware not to let the "pirates" exhibit any of my numbers in your theater. I am now in position to hear of any act of mine being used. You will save a lot of time and money by a little care.

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Billy Ritchie is back in New York City having just closed with the Rugby Bros. Stock Company at Yorktown, Pa.

ROUTE.

S. H. DUDLEY in "Dr. Beans from Boston"—Pekin theater, Chicago, week of December 15.

S. TUTT WHITNEY in Southern Smart SetpCairo, Ill., Dec. 16; Nashville,, Tenn. 24-25.

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Gentlemen's List.

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Buckner-Buckner	Lowery, Vance
Bright, Turner	McGee, Garfield
Bragg, Prof. C.	Morgan, Griffin
Bradford & Bradford	Moland, Frank
Bryon, Joseph O.	Pitt, J. B.
Docket, J. S.	Pickett, Dave
Damon, Prof.	Saucy, Ollie
Edgington, John	Smith, John
Edwards, J. L.	Stone, E
Flanks, Fredie	Smith, Rance
Farrell, Ed	Southard, Harry A.
Hunt, Hi Henry	Sutton, H J
Holman, J. M.	Smith, James
Johnson, Earl	Tarry, James
Jennings & Jennings	Taylor, Jasper
James, Seymour	Timmons, W.
Jackson, W. J.	Williams, Prof. Eph
Kennedy, W. Goff	Williams, Geo. A.
The Lockharts	White, Leroy
Lewis, John E.	

Ladies' List.

Boyd, Cora	Jones, Ninnon
Brown, Rosie	Lucas, Marie Dotson
Collins, Carrie	Middleton, Virginia
Edwards, Alice F.	Moore, Cecil A
English, Dora	Mitchell, Lelia B.
Fox, Rosie	Shaw Belle
Garrett, Miss Early	Sotanki, Princess
Garland, Mrs. Hattie	Townsend, Mary
Groves, Miss R.	Taylor, Ruby
Clipper, Jtsse	Wolf, Mrs. Hannah
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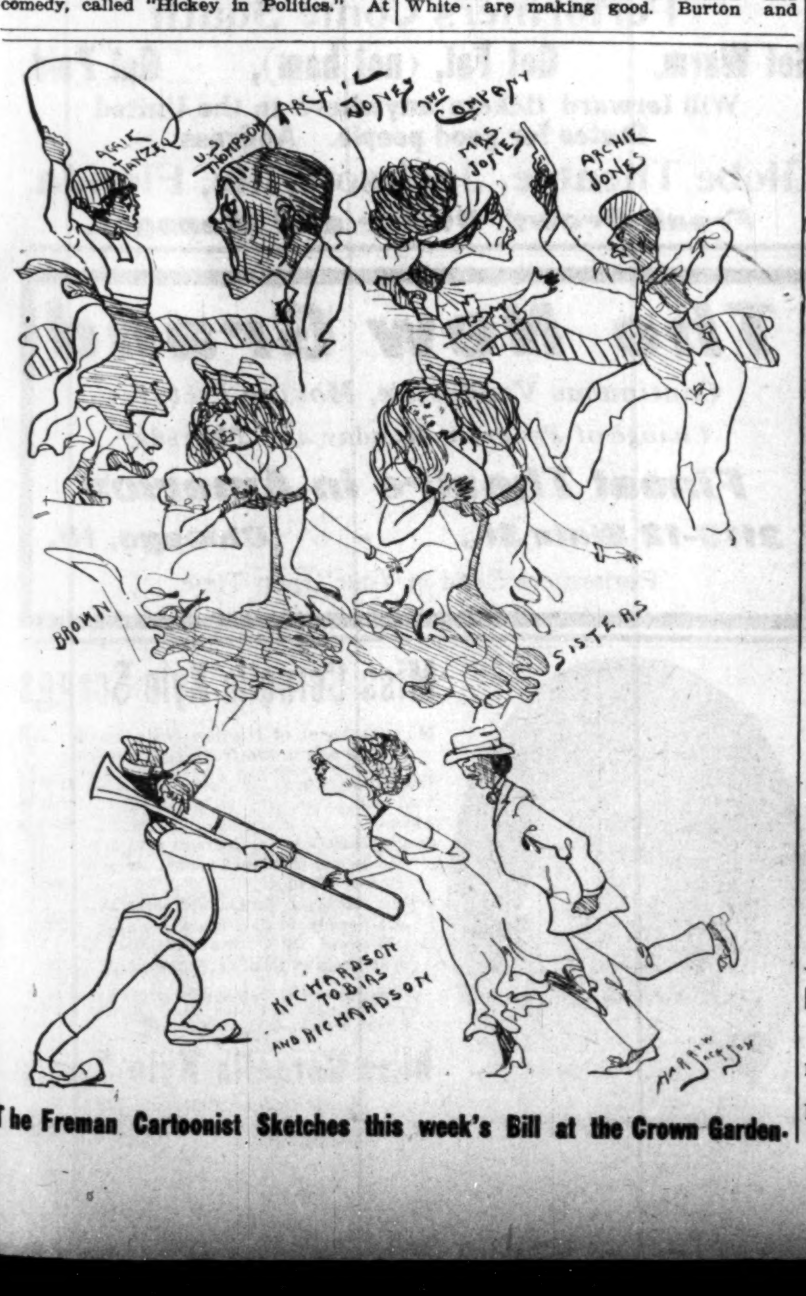
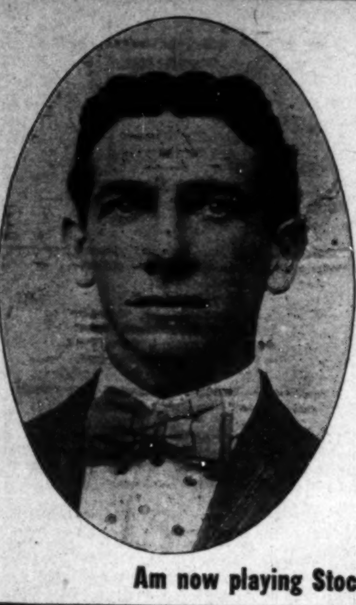


The Freeman Cartoonist Sketches this week's Bill at the Crown Garden.



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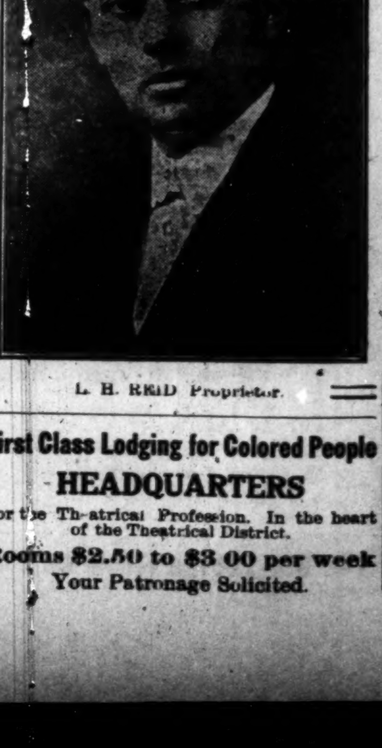

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Copeland and Payton were at Fresno, Cal., last week.

The two Taylors, Marguerite and Robert, are at the Pekin Theater, Norfolk, Va., this week.

Harry Big Boy Anderson and J. Ed Hann have just closed a two weeks' engagement at the Majestic Theater at Columbia, Mo., and have joined Billy Bailey's Musical Comedy Company.

William H. Willis, the mysterious tramp and magician, who has been seriously ill for some time in the North, is now en route South. Southern managers can address him at No. 18 Fortieth street, Norfolk, Va.

S. H. Dudley and his Smart Set Company was in this city last Saturday, on their way to Louisville, Ky. Dudley had considerable show shop to discuss with the managers of the Crown Garden Theater, Indianapolis.

Had a delegation of Billys to the Freeman office last week from the Smart Set Company. They were Billy Sparks, Billy Butler and Billy moore. Billy Lewis, of the office force, was on hand, and the quartet of Billys was complete. The Smart Set Company is also long on Harrys—just five. It is said there are also four Jims in the push.

Russell and Owens have just closed an indefinite engagement at Barrasso's New Savoy Theater, a first-class play house exclusively for colored people. We are producing stock and running first-class vaudeville. Would be glad to hear from all good acts. No acts too big. Willing at all times to play feature acts. Can give you from four to six weeks in this house and from two to four weeks in the associated houses, making about ten to twelve weeks in all. Write at once. All mail gets due consideration and prompt reply. Bob Russell, assisting manager; A. Barrasso, proprietor and manager, Memphis, Tenn.

PAN-AMERICANS GOING BIG IN CANADA.

Octette Well Received at Every Stop.

W. C. Buckner's Pan-American Octette, a company of nine male singers of reputation, are in Canada, where they are being well received nightly. Charles Gilpin, the well-known character actor and baritone singer, is one of the company.

JULIUS GLENN AND BLACK PATTI COMPANY ENTERTAINED.

While in Chattanooga, November 26, with the Black Patti show, Mr. Julius Glenn was entertained by David D. Smith, late of the Richards and Pringle's Minstrels. Old times were talked over by the two performers, and quite an enjoyable time was spent at 606 West Twelfth street. Smith would like to hear from B. L. Prince.

NOTES FROM YOUNG BROS.' BLACK TROUBADOURS AND JUBILEE SINGERS

Still doing fine.

This week a little rain, but business pretty good. We are not turning them away, but are getting ours just the same.

Seymour James and Happy Kimball are holding the extremes; Shaw and Jones, second edition. Also Charles C. Stewart, A. W. Honze, Florence L. Honze, Fannie Stewart, Lillie Jones, Lillie cmfwyam Stewart, Sallie Jones, Lillie Jones, Ruby Kimball, Willie (Jug) Shaw, our pianist, and others that are worthy of mention.

Would like to hear from members of the profession at any and all times.

SAVOY THEATER, MEMPHIS, TENN.

To the regret of the manager and the whole company, Miss Willie Porter, of the team of Porter and Porter, well known to the theatrical world South, East and West, was suddenly called home in Pensacola on account of the death of her mother. The entire company regrets her loss.

The Savoy Theater patrons were treated to one of the best shows of the season in the way of a musical comedy entitled "The College Girl," a revised playlet by Russell and Owens, being the attraction, in conjunction with first-class vaudeville acts by the Lockhart sketch team; Tom Parker, dancing comedian; Ruth Anderson and Nellie Brooks doing a nice singing act. In the one-act playlet Billy Owens, Buster Porter, Billy Reese and Bob Russell showed up to good advantage. As a whole the show was fairly good. The bunch sends regards to all friends.

STOCK COMPANY MAKES BIG HIT AT ALPHA THEATER AT CLEVELAND, OHIO.

The Booker Washington Stock Company is in its third week and having success. Golphin has proven to the Cleveland people that he can make good in his act elsewhere, and Lee Cole put on one of his famous shows, and Mr. Pickadoo Langford is getting his as a funny boy. Miss Ganzelle is certainly cleaning up with her nightingale voice. Nash Coleman, the Missouri star comedian, is setting the house wild with every performance. These constitute the company: Joseph Golphin, Nash Coleman, Ed Lee Coleman, Pickadoo Langford, Gonzelle White, Norine Nevels, Edna Coleman and Vicie Langford.

At the Oriole Theater Buston and Watson Stock Company is having success in its second week. The Big City Trio is playing the last half, running five big acts.

OVER THE PIEDMONT BOOKING EXCHANGE.

The Rex Theater at Durham, N. C., has just installed a new heating plant and a costly electrical sign.

Mr. W. E. Pike, manager of the Rex Theater at Winston-Salem and Piedmont Booking Exchange, spent last week in Durham, and Mr. Daniels, manager of the Rex Theater at Durham, spent last week in Winston-Salem. Mr. Pike is devoting his entire time booking good acts for his circuit, and is doing exceedingly well.

Last week the acts that appeared at the Durham house were Campbell and Campbell, Jordan and Brown, Clarence Goar, and Maude Revells. J. H. Campbell is staging the show, and, as usual, the show is a great hit.

The people at the Rex Theater, Winston-Salem, last week were: J. A. Conley, stage manager; Dave and Virginia Lision, Hawkins and Hawkins, Elliott and Elliott, Mose Grayam and Alberta Smiley.

Johnson and Johnson are still at Wilmington, N. C., doing fine, they write. Mr. Joe Lightening, who had been playing with them, is now on the sick list and has gone home to his mother in Petersburg, Va.

Little Irma and Elbert White are in their fourth week at the Lyric Theater, St. Petersburg, Fla., and receiving much applause. Mr. White is stage manager there, and would like to hear from all acts.

Miss Mattie Whiteman has gone East. Last week at North Pole, Philadelphia, Pa.

NOTES FROM SUNNY DIXIE MINSTRELS

The show is now in southwest Texas, near the border of old sunny Mexico, playing to good business, with the S. R. O. sign out most every night. Our efficient manager, Mr. Dana Thompson, knows just when, where and how to book his show to get the money.

Mr. Frank Perryman and Mrs. Doshia Styles left the show for their respective homes on November 25, to spend the winter.

Mr. W. N. Nash, the coming young magician and trombonist, joined the Sunny Dixie November 25, and is making good.

The stage is still under the direction of little Dick Brown, the midget comedian, with Mr. Fred Allen on the opposite end and Mr. Frank Keith and Mr. W. N. Nash holding second. They keep the house in an oproar from the time the front curtain goes up until it falls for good.

Miss Rosia Ives is cleaning nightly with "Mr. Dream Man." Miss Willie Venable takes three and four encores nightly singing "That Baltimore Bambashay," and our little leading lady, Miss Viola McCoy, runs them crazy with "You'll Never Know the Good Fellow I've Been Until I've Gone Away."

Mr. W. M. Bryant, our classical middle piece, can make a comedian tell jokes he's never known. He is some interlocutor, take it from me.

Little Dick Brown, the Rube, is making mules seem to laugh while on the streets, and also making a decided hit singing "Tell Her No."

The orchestra is under the direction of Professor Napoleon Black, and is making a decided hit everywhere it plays.

The band, under the direction of Professor W. E. Pace, is cleaning everywhere we go. He is pronounced by press and public to have the best nine-piece band that has ever been in this part of the country. The roster is as follows: Sammie Tatnall, tuba; Willie Nash, trombone; W. M. Bryant, bariton; Professor Napoleon Black, alto; Fred Allen, bass drum; James Walburg, snare drum; Frank Cox, clarinet; B. F. Deleo, solo cornet; Boisey Grey, first cornet; W. E. Pace, cornet and director.

THEATRICAL PIRATES.

About the most terrifying threat to a character artist is "the pirate will get you yet." When I think of them, I—well, I forget how a gentleman should think. A burlesque imitation of an artist is absolutely justifiable, but the "pirate"—ye gods! My songs are not written or composed for me, yet I go to greater trouble to obtain them than that of asking a publisher for them, spend a neat penny to see and hear the white artist, and when I see a clever one I give burlesque impersonations, as near as my talents permit, of their songs, costumes, mannerisms, introducing the artists before I attempt to imitate them. Mr. Julian Eltinge introduced a new character of a negro society woman for a few weeks in "The Friers Frolics of 1912," singing "Oh, You Beautiful Coon." The impersonation was remarkably clever. I spent a neat sum while in New York to see his style, mannerisms, tone of voice in song, and costume, and then proceeded to give imitations of him in that number. It was a surprising success at the Olio, where I played two weeks September 9, receiving four and five encores, then closing with a speech of thanks each show for great applause, as Manager Hogan will testify. To an experienced ear this may sound like conceited ranting, but it is all plain business sense. I do not blame the colored acts for weeding out their vulgar sayings, risque songs and "boulingjack" style of dancing they give to the Negro public. But is it necessary to be a pirate? It is not pleasant to read in last week's Freeman that Green, of Green and Phew, will use the number, "Oh, You Beautiful Coon," which I've worked so hard to perfect. They were on the bill with me week of September 9. No, the song is not copyrighted; neither is it advertised; but, brothers, have some sense of honor! I get a song to suit my eccentric characterism. The next week at rehearsal the manager says: "For God's sake, please sing something else; it's been used to death." Pleasant, isn't it? It's not a case of "Well, it's not copyrighted; I have a right to use it;" it's simply honor among actors. If I let the public know I'm imitating you, it's justifiable; if I steal your songs or style, it's a disgrace. Be an actor and a man. Give the long-suffering public good, clean, original work—not a "pirate." It's so degrading. Respectfully,

JULIEN COSTELLO,
Character Imitator.

CIRCLE THEATER, PHILADELPHIA

Liggins and Murlone, Fresh from Europe, Feature Bill.

Another prosperous week for the Circle theater has just closed, and a very entertaining collection of artists composed the bill. Reed and Carter, a new sketch team of the East, opened the bill in grand style and made quite a success.

Liggins and Murlone

Two excellent duettists, were the real feature, being foreigners, and rendered a natural novelty. Miss Murlone's gowns were a sensation.

Thomas and Ward.

Kept the audience screaming from entrance to exit. The dancing demon and the dainty soubret carried off al lapplause honors.

Bailey, Green and Bailey, from Washington, have a grand act. Mr. Green as a comedian is great and is invaluable to the act.

For the coming week the bill is: The Two Macks, McClain and McIntosh, in every-day life; Miss Elma Grant, comedienne; Prof. Henrico and company, featuring "Gusico" in an escape act; the Too Sweets, clever comedy duo; Minor and Minor, original singers.

FRANK HENDON INFORMS STAGE STRUCK GIRLS.

Hello, girls. Did you think I had forgotten your Thanksgiving information? Not on your anticipative lithographs. My landlady had turkey for dinner, and, believe me, I don't draw the color line when it comes to blotting out the holidy bird. I ate so much white meat that it insulted my complexion. I ate so much dressing that I am ashamed to enter a dressing room. But I couldn't go the mince meat pie.

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Sing a song of contents,
Oats, wheat and rye.
They are the ingredients
Of mine meat pie.

* * *

Steak and "poke chops" for mine. Why our turkey was so dry that he would make a powder house surrender.

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Turkeys never go swimming
Like a crazy goosie.
All turkey's a temperance,
That's why their meat ain't juicy.

* * *

I think we had the biggest turkey in town. The lady is handing me turkey hask three times a day.

* * *

The great big gobbler'll never run out. I'm sorry he was an adult one. If the lady keeps a-handing me the turkey so stout, 'pect I'll turn to a sultan.

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Everybody in town was thankful except the lazy, sleepy bunch that put the "nap" in Indianapolis.

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The real thankful fellows, and why they were so, are: Ruby Shelton, because he is the only vaudeville pianist with a Fiddler accompaniment. J. Rosmond Johnson, because he has other complaints, but his heart is working right. James Burris, because he is a politician, but straight. Tim Owsley, because he is not a king but has a crown at his command. S. H. Dudley, because he is a doctor, and his chief medicine is salve. Cary Lewis, because he can spread Dudley's medicine. Tutt Whitney, because he is big enough to be seen and loud enough to be heard while passing. Freeman readers, because they are willing to stand some more Knox. Marsh Craig, because he works single, but is able to double up every night. Billy Lewis, because he has got a lot of people's measure, but doesn't have to use the tape to get his editorials read. Frank Hendon, because———!! Bert Williams, because he is not superstitious; therefore, will soon come out with "Follies of 1913." Frank Montgomery, because Columbus discovered America, and Frank is discovering Columbus. Billy Kersands, because his career is at an end. George Slaughter, because he is a faithful son of Ham; bucking against other newspaper hustlers (Buckingham).

SEEN AND HEARD WHILE PASSING.

(S. Tutt Whitney.)

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Wise and Crosswise.

Knockers very often receive the hardest knocks.

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Most of our soi-disant producers are reproducers, and our so-called composers are decomposers.

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Little drops of whiskey,
Little drams of beer,
Make a man grow frisky
When his wife ain't near.

* * *

Teacher—Decline modern courtship.
Pupil—Mash, mush, smashed.

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If the majority of performers had their foresight as highly developed as their hindsight, the "Always Room at the Top" sign would have to be taken down.

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Contact, proximity and propinquity between men and women in show life are productive of many platonic friendships, soul mates and affinities; but as ever, it is the feminine of the species that pays. Her place is often replaced, and she is "soo" an unremembered memory.

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Sometimes we would like to meet a vaudeville performer who is playing the small time, who has not just left the big time to spend a little time on the small time; who has never played the big time or is not booked over the big time; who has not been asked for open time by the managers of the big time; who can't play the big time any time he wants the time; who practices in the daytime, studies at nighttime, hustles between time to bring his act up to time, so it is ready all time to be booked over the big time.

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Many a man in the show business makes it his business to marry a woman in the business, who will help his business. The woman usually attempts to run his business, her business and everybody's business, and soon there is no business for anybody to run. That makes it nobodys business.

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A Fable.

Returning from town at a late hour one moonless night, it seems that Uncle Eph had lost his way and unintentionally strayed into a watermelon patch. Much fatigued and thirsty from his long walk, Uncle Eph seated himself upon a large melon and prepared to slack his thirst from the juicy heart of another nearby melon. An ominous "click" brought Uncle Eph to his feet in quick alarm. Before Eph had time to cry out an explanation, a charge of birdshot from a breech-loader came into sudden and painful contact with the sole of Uncle Eph's trousers. Next day, after the doctor had extracted the thousandth shot from Uncle Eph's rear anatomy, and Uncle Eph had explained for the thousandth time that he was a victim of circumstances, he was limping disconsolately down the road, when he was accosted by a stranger.

"Hello, Uncle Eph! Don't you know me?" queried the stranger.

"Pears like I ought to know you," replied Eph after a careful scrutiny of the stranger.

"Everybody should know me," answered the stranger; "I am Justice."

"Umph! Late as usual,' grunted Eph. "If you had been here a little sooner, I wouldn't be limping now. Justice, Justice. Yes I does kinda recommember you now; but it's been so long since I seed you dat I thought you'd done stopped visiting colored folks altogether."

Then a sudden flood of remembrance brightened Eph's face. "I recommembers you now," said Eph. "De las' time I seed you, Mr. Justice, was nigh fifty years ago, when Marse Jedge Shelby wouldn't sentence me after I had done pleaded guilty to stealin' Marse Winfield's chickens, 'cause Marse Jedge Shelby had done et some of dem chickens, en knowed it. I hope you'se come to stay, Mr. Justice—"

But Justice had already disappeared. Since that time neither Uncle Eph nor any of his progeny have been able to catch more than a fleeting glimpse of Justice.

GRIFFIN SISTERS PROTEST.

Management of Pekin Theater, Montgomery, Ala., Bad.

To all sister and brother performers: Beware of Manager Dreyfus, of the Pekin theater, Montgomery, Ala. He acts badly. He treated us shamefully. He does not understand high-class acts. He will hand you a bunch if he can. We were booked with him for two weeks, and at the very last minute he told us that he would have to cancel, the trouble being too much money. He has a colored man for a stage manager who will cause some male performer trouble some of these times, owing to his insults.

Now, we, as your sisters in the profession, warn you against this pert manager, for if we had trouble, you know that something is wrong. This is the first time we have written against a house or manager. We are playing to packed houses, and our act is a scream. Kindly heed this warning. As for the Montgomery audiences, we could not hope to work for finer people. Your sisters in the profession,

GRIFFIN SISTERS.
(Emma and Mabel.)

P. G. LOWERY'S FASHION PLATE MINSTRELS.

We opened the winter season November 23 at Carrelton, Mo., under very favorable conditions. The performers this season are the very best, and the band is par excellent.

Professor Lowery has spared no expense in regards to costumes, and as the curtain is raised on our first part, it resembles the beautiful horizon on a summer's morn.

Thanksgiving was a day long to be remembered. The tables fairly groaned under the nice fat turkeys and delicacies that were spread upon them.

The roster is as follows: P. G. Lowery, H. A. Griffith, Harper Morgan, Arthur L. Prince, Arthur A. Wright, Whitney Viney, Tony Barefield, A. Victor, Thomas and William May, Charles Beechum, Horace Eubanks, Jay Bryant, H. Mitchell, Mack Shaw, Eugene Peterson, Daniel Frazier, Fred Morgan, Wilson Hill, William Smith, Callie Vassar, Mattie E. Glover, Carrie Gilbert, Ethel Kenny and Ruth Sprague Prince.

The roster speaks well for the management, as most of the same old bunch of last season are retained, although there are some new faces.

THE CULINARY DEPARTMENT

Of Al G. Field's Greater Minstrels—Jim Fields, of Columbus, Ohio, Chef.

Probably one of the best known cooks in the theatrical world is Jim Fields, of Columbus, Ohio, whose wide experience has taken him over the entire country, and whose ability as a culinary artist compares most favorably with any white French chef in the United States. Mr. Fields is now the chef on the special train of the Al G. Field Greater Minstrels. For twelve years he has prepared the meals for the company of merry minstrel men, and the menues he prepares daily to appease the generous appetites of these men who sing and dance and tell funny stories are marvels of the cluinary art.

For a time Mr. Fields was a cook on one of the leading railroads of the country, and so much in demand was he that he was daily transferred to one run and another on the line, and whenever the officers of the company planned a trip, Mr. Fields was always selected as chef. In this way he has been over the entire country from coast to coast and from the furthest parts of Canada to the Panama Canal. In a dining car kitchen he is at home, and the dishes he can prepare in such a limited space are really marvelous. He loves his profession, and is always preparing new dishes for those of the company who appreciate epicurean temptations.

Thanksgiving on the Field special gave Chef Fields ample opportunity to exercise his ingenuity, and as a result the company sat down to the best meal that was ever served on the Field train. Lobster, a la Newburg, an original fruit salad, one of Chef Field's new soup recipes, and three kinds of palatable desserts were among the succession of goodies that came from the kitchen presided over by the king of culinary experts.

Assisting Chef Fields this season is his son, Daniel Fields, a promising young man who is fast becoming an expert cook under the experienced tutelage of his parents. Young Fields, or "Dan," as he is known around the car, holds the position of second cook. His principal dish at which he is fast becoming an expert is eggs. Every morning the fruit of the hen is served to every member of the company, and every style in the cook book is requested in the orders that are given to Dan Fields. He is able to fill every order with the greatest celerity, while the watchful eyes of the chef supervise all the operations in the kitchen.

Luther Bryant, the head waiter on the Field special, is another of Al G. Field's long-termed employes. Memphis is his home, and Luther has waited in every hotel of reputation in the South. He has several standing offers to take charge of hotel dining rooms, but like the other colored employes of Al G. Field, he prefers to remain with the minstrel dean because o fthe considerate treatment with which Mr. Field always treats his people.

Messrs. Field, his son and the head waiter have many friends in Indianapolis, and they will be here in the city for two days, Friday and Saturday, December 27 and 28, and when the Al G. Field Greater Minstrels appear at the English opera house to give two night performances and a matinee. The colored admirers of the minstrel will be out in force, for Negroes always like to see the Field production and they are all admirers of the man who is so considerate in his treatment of the Negro

ABOARD A. G. ALLEN'S PRIVATE CAR 999.

P. S. Jenkins Writes from Hamburg, Ark.

Prof. J. H. McCamon, principal musician, is back after a fortnight's vacation in Little Rock, Ark.

Charles English and William Eldridge, comedians, joined recently.

Clifton Brooks, straight man, with Robert Miller and P. L. Jenkins as two tramp musicians, are scoring nightly in their ten-minute turn entitled "Serenading Under Difficulties."

CLARKSVILLE, TENN.

The Independent Knights and Daughters of Gideon will hold their annual installation of officers, Monday night, December 9th....The K. of P.'s are going to have an up-to-date minstrel during the Christmas holidays, under the management of Messrs. V. S. Dabney and C. F. Cobb....A swell banquet was given last Monday night at Zion A. M. E. church in honor of the pastor, Rev. Buckner and the presiding elder, Rev. I. W. Selectman.... Mrs. Alice Moore is ill at her home on Franklin street....Mrs. Donnie Newell is ill at her home on Franklin street....Mrs. Ella Diggs, of College street, is quite ill ..Miss Eulah Shelton left Monday morning, December 2nd, for Hot Springs, Ark. ....Mr. Will Hunter is here from Chicago on account of the illness of his sister, Mrs. Ella Diggs....Mrs. Ann Cobb died Sunday night, November 24, and was buried November 27th....Mr. Henry Newby died Saturday night, November 23, in St. Louis, Mo., and was buried here November 26th ....The mass meeting, which was held at Zion A. M. E. church, was largely attended. The subject discussed was: "Why is it that more men do not attend church?" ....Rev. J. T. Goodall, of Jackson, Tenn., will lecture at the Fifth Ward Baptist church on Thursday night, December 12 ....The Christian Club of St. John's Baptist church met at the residence of Mr. Will Morris Friday night, November 29th. A three-course luncheon was served and a pleasant evening was enjoyed.

THE FREEMAN IN LOUISVILLE.

The Indianapolis Freeman is on sale at the following places: P. C. Martin's, Tenth and Chestnut; Baker's Barber Shop, Ninth, near Walnut; Jno. Cousins', Green, near First street; Young's Barber Shop, near Center and Walnut streets; Clendenning's Barber Shop, Douglass Building, Eighth and Walnut streets; People's Drug Store, Twelfth and Chestnut Streets, and Leonard Gan's, 3611 Orleans avenue, Parkland.

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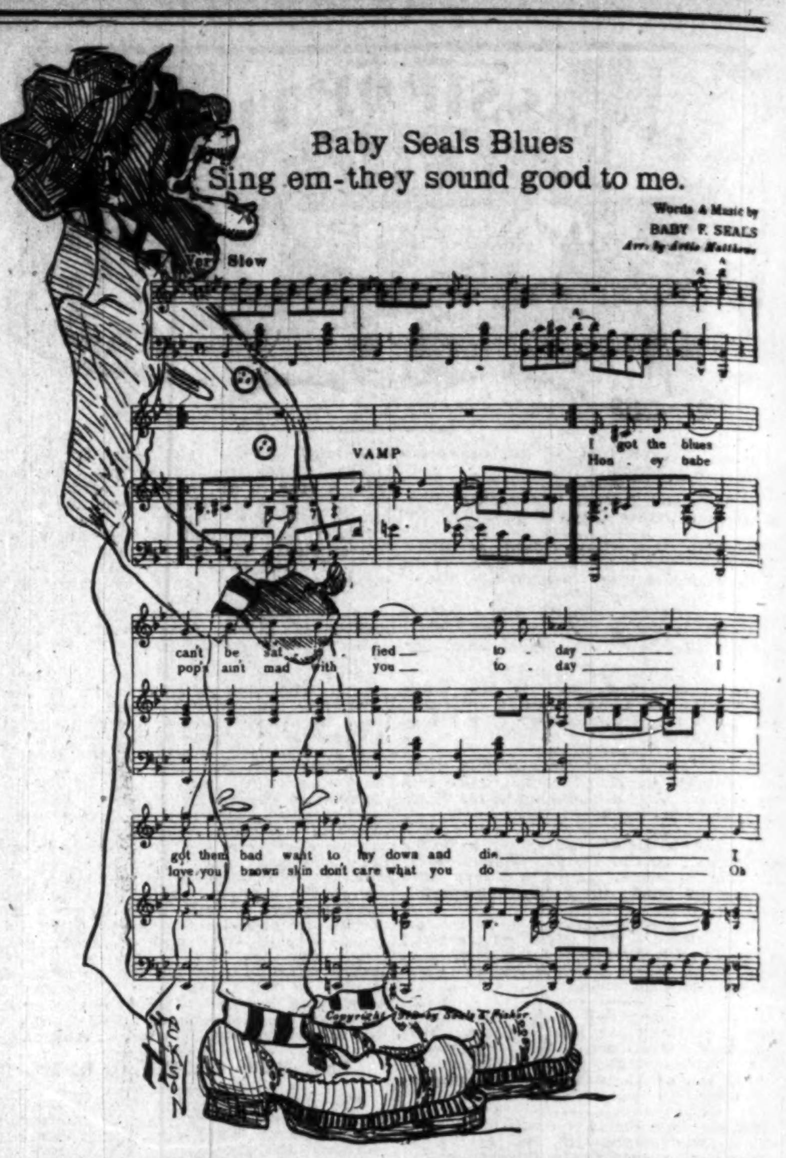

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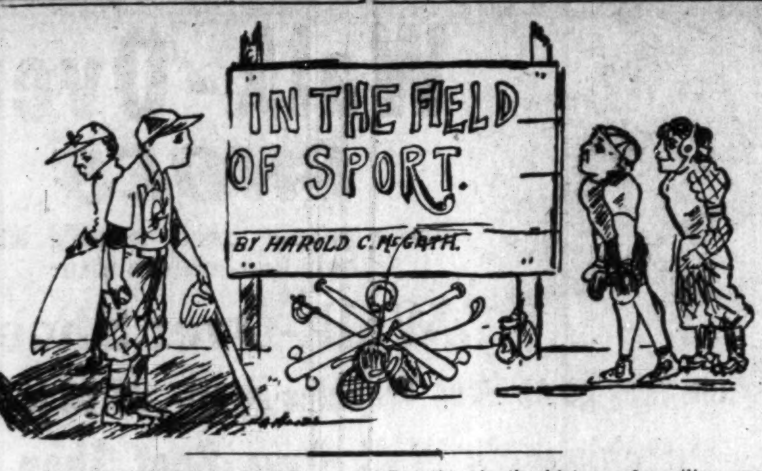

"A MOTHER'S LOVE."

(Dedicated to Jack Johnson.)

By Tim E. Owsley.

When your best friends know you no more,
And all your wealth that's now in store
Has been spent, and you are poor,
You still will be my boy!

When you have lost your good health,
And no longer enjoy nature's wealth,
When they scratch your name from the roll of fame,
You still will be my boy!

When others cease to love my son,
And all you've done has been undone,
And not a friend to take your part,
Because you satisfied your heart,
You still will be my boy!

Tho' men may persecute and abuse
Because you do not as they choose—
But that's the way of mortal life;
'Tis filled with naught but envious strife,
And you still will be my boy!

When death comes knocking at your door,
And they say my boy's no more,
I'll think of just one summer's day
What you won in an honest way,
And you still will be my boy!

Tho' you love not kin nor kind,
But love, you know, was always blind.
They say your love ruins all creation,
Yet God from one blood made all nation.
But you are my boy!

Let every man be in your shoes—
Can we tell what he would choose?
None save God, and He alone,
'Cause every man's heart is his own,
And you are my boy!

So when your days are dark as night,
Call on God—He'll give you light.
For we must meet Him face to face,
Let us be of any race.
Can't you hear, my boy?

The blackest man that you may know,
The man that's white as drifting snow—
To God alone they all must go.
And you too, my boy!

A NEW CHAMPION BORN.

Wolgast Loses His Title to Ritchie On a Foul—Gans Was the Greatest of Them All.

(By Jackson J. Stovall.)

CHICAGO, Ill.—Thursday afternoon, November 28, Ad Wolgast, of Cadillac, Mich., relinquished his title of lightweight champion to Willie Ritchie, of San Francisco, on a foul in the sixteenth round of a twenty-round battle. The battle was staged in James Coffroth's Daly City arena in San Francisco, Cal., and was one of the fastest bouts ever waged on the Pacific coast. When the victor left the arena his gory visage showed that he had earned the right to the title of the world's premier lightweight.

Ritchie a Surprise.

Ritchie surprised his stanchest admirers from the initial round to the climax of the final, when he fought Wolgast breast to breast and held his own with dogged persistence. When the returns of the seventh round were flashed across the wire Ritchie appeared to be fading beneath the cruel blows of the little Hercules from the Wolverine State. Wolgast was setting a terrific pace; he rained a shower of blows, so to speak, on every part of Ritchie's anatomy permissible under the Marquis of Queensberry rules. Wolgast's Chicago admirers were jubilant, while Ritchie's were downcast, but he weathered the storm.

From the seventh round to the sixteenth there was nothing to choose between Wolgast and his challenger for the crown. Many fistic experts were of the opinion that the battle would wage the schedule limit of twenty rounds and the referee's verdict would be a draw or a decision in Wolgast's favor.

Wolgast's Passing.

The sixteenth and final round marked Wolgast's passing as the czar of the lightweight division. Both boys began hostilities with a rush; there was a mixup on the ropes; in the breakaway Wolgast exposed his jaw for the fraction of a second to the view of the Carlifornia speed marvel. With lightning rapidity Ritchie's poised right shot like a flash to the mark. Wolgast dropped instantly from the impact of the blow. He regained his feet; his eyes were glazed and his legs were wobbly. Ritchie, flushed with apparent victory, was wild in his delivery, and Wolgast, dazed as he was, foiled his attempts to reach his jaw for a moment by rolling his head around. That same bulldog tenacity and dominating spirit that characterized Wolgast throughout his long struggle on Port Richmond Field, February 22, 1910, when he wrested the laurels from the rugged brow of Battling Nelson, was in evidence. Trying desperately to stem the tide of inevitable defeat, he forced Ritchie against the ropes and, striking out blindly, landed a low, foul body blow. Ritchie sank to his knees with a look of agony stamped indelibly upon his features. He arose to his feet in much pain and apaprently unable to continue. Without a moment's hesitation Referee Griffin held Ritchie's right glove aloft in token of victory, and California for the first time in the history of pugilism gave birth to a lightweight champion.

Gans Was Greatest Champion.

The late Joe Gans, of Baltimore, in the heydey of his pugilistic career, was conceded by leading scribes in pugilism not one of the greatest, but the greatest combination of boxer and fighter in the lightweight division that the world has ever known. His superiority over his competitors in the pugilistic field became so marked that he inherited the name of "The Old Master." When the timber in the lightweight division became scarce he invaded the welterweight ranks, and a horde of fighters therein fell victims to his prowess. His greatest battle in that respective division was fought with Joe Wolcott, the then welterweight champion. Wolcott's easy victories over heavyweights caused him to be dubbed "The Giant Killer." The battle was staged in San Francisco, Cal., September 30, 1904, and was fast and furious throughout the schedule limit of twenty rounds. The referee's verdict of a draw was unsatisfactory to the spectators who witnessed the contest, as Gans was outfighting Wolcott in the closing rounds.

Gans's ambition pugilistically was unlimited. On one occasion he threw down the gauntlet to Tommy Ryan, claimant of the middleweight championship. The match was never materialized.

The Beginning of the End.

Low weight made for Battling Nelson was the beginning of the end of "The Old Master" pugilistically.

September 3, 1906, Gans fought Battling Nelson at Goldfield, Nevada. The written agreement was that both men should weigh in at 133 pounds at the ringside—a weight that Gans had not made since he became champion. The same was easy for Nelson. A few days prior to the date set for the contest Gans, after much torture, made the required weight. The foxy Billy Nolan, the then manager of Nelson, and now manager of the present lightweight champion, was in a dilemma. He doubted Gans's ability to make the required weight when the match was made. On the eleventh hour he demanded that Nans make 133 pounds in fighting clothes or there would be no battle. Rather than lose the fight after things had gone so far, Gans agreed to the condition imposed upon him and made the weight, which later resulted in his death from tuberculosis. The battle was staged in the afternoon of September 3. Gans appeared in the ring a mere shadow of his former self, trained to bone and sinew. For more than two hours 'neath the scorching sun of the desert he proved Nelson's master from bell to bell.

When the gong sounded for the forty-second round the sun was sinking behind the western horizon. Nelson, with his face literally cut into ribbons, his body bruised and besmeared with blood, and practically on the verge of collapse, committed a foul to save himself from inevitable defeat. Gans had won, and was the hero of the hour, but he left his vitality on the arid plans of the "Sage Brush State."

Gans is only a memory now, but his gentlemanly traits made him a popular hero. He was a credit to the game, and his name will live as long as pugilism has a history.

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HE SAID HE WOULD DO IT.

Jack Johnson Married Lucile Cameron—The Wedding—Did the "Grizzly" and "Bunny Hug," Maybe—Negroes Stunned—White Folk Incensed.

(By Billy Lewis.)

Well, did you ever? Jack Johnson has astonished the world by his tenacity in winning and marrying Lucille Cameron, when most people were thinking he would do anything else. I thought that he would have run from her should he have met her after he was freed of his difficulties. But it appears that the pair played 'possum—laid low until it was time to get together—and they got.

Why They Did It.

Why they did it? Only two persons can answer; they are the principals in the affair—Mr. and Mrs. J. Arthur Johnson. I am inclined to think that the woman was honest in her statements about clinging to her mother after she was freed from jail. She really thought she could go East and forget it, and then come from obscurity to take a place in the world. If she thought it, she thought it alone. She had only to move about to be thoroughly convinced that those who raged and raved over her presumed debasement in allying herself with a Negro had no good notion of her. As it is thought in this country, she was tainted, and, so far as her race is concerned, all the water of the Mississippi could not restore her to whatever status she had enjoyed previously to the publicity of her connection with the Negro prize fighter. I believe she had that truth pressed home in the little time she had a chance to observe before she surrendered her idea of penitence.

"What was done, what to do.
A glance told him both."

Her refuge for the future—what about it? The Himalayas could not destroy her identity. She was forced to retreat from her high resolves because she had no reinforcemnts. The cannonading meant for Johnson's destruction succeeded most in destroying Lucille Cameron. She learned that outside of the tomb-like, silent fastnesses there was rest only on the broad bosom of the strong black man—J. Arthur Johnson. This is mere conjecture, but I risk it as a solution to the "riddle."

Love Laughs at Locksmiths.

Of course, it might be that theirs was a case of true love, rather than a temporary infatuation, as she put it. In that event they are simply a modern version of Romeo and Juliet—that is, in their mutual distresses. Their ancient houses know no common ground of assent to the chiefest transaction in all the world. Poor Juliet exclaimed that she was a widow before she was wed; but in due time, in their "home behind the shining moon," were no longer vetoed the legislation of their hearts. A plague on both of your houses, says the modern moderator, who insists that an affair of hearts is not an affair of men. Those most interested are those who have the lives to live. I, myself, am not an advocate of social equality, but have nothing further against mixed marriages than sentiment born of racial conditions.

Jack got his Lucille in fairly the same way many a man got his. It is safe to say that he went a bit further than other men who have traveled the desert of scorching sand. She cost him a precious penny; came very nearly exchanging his "birthright" for a mess of "pottage," I said at another time. But in view of what has happened I prefer to take back so cruel a speech. The woman is Mrs. Johnson now, and we may treat the matter lightly if we will, but nevertheless she is Mrs. Johnson and deserves the same treatment accorded any other woman in a similar relation. Henry George says, "I am for men!" All right enough, Mr. George, but I put the loud pedal on woman. I am for woman—for saving as much of her as it is possible to save.

The Wedding.

Just why Jack Johnson chose to be so public with his wedding is quite hard to understand, unless it be that it was meant as a thing of defiance because of the opposition to his marriage. He had nothing to fear, as some seemed to think. It was no crime to marry the white woman. The opposition to it was a thing of sentiment. It was up to Johnson as to respecting that sentiment. He did not care to do so, that's all to it. Really, Johnson had a right to feel boastful, because he felt his manhood rights had been in jeopardy; and they had been. He felt justified in crowing some, just like is said of the male moose whose bellowing voice is heard jubilating in celebration of his first born. He had been newly restored to his freedom, of which he had been deprived by methods which were in opposition to the spirit of our laws. So when his marriage feast is virtually an open house, he meant it just that way, I take the liberty to say.

The daily papers speak merrily of what Johnson and his guests enjoyed at the blow-out—the effort, of course, is to show Johnson up in a poor way, notwithstanding the unanimous effort to keep the pair apart.

"All the bowls were made of basswood,
White and polished very smoothly."

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"Dance for us your merry dances,
Dance the Beggar's dance to please us,
That the feast may be more joyous,
That the time may pass more gaily,
And our guests be more contented."
—Hiawatha's Wedding.

Popping champagne cork was the happy prelude to the Johnson-Cameron affair. Interludes of the same kind were frequent enough, if not incessant. Time enough, however, was permitted for joining soul to soul and as it was to have been from the beginning. The "Grizzly" was put on, according to the latest advices, and presumably its willing companion, the "Bunny Hug."

The Attitude of the Negroes—The White People.

The Negroes are more reconciled to Jack since they saw plainly that they were trying to put something over him. At first they took that extreme attitude that the white people took, insisting that the champion had committed an unpardonable sin. They meant, as I have set forth already, that he flew in the face of opposing public sentiment, and that this was particularly so in view of his notoriety. Many finally came to the conclusion that they did not care what Johnson did. Well, perhaps we should not be quite so careless as that, but I am not in for voting him as an undesirable citizen. He is a desirable citizen in the best sense when he observes the laws. And when he does not, there are places to put him. So really there can't be many undesirable citizens at large.

A citizen of Indianapolis—a colored man—had nerve enough to card a paper—a white paper—when it was said that Johnson was coming to Indianapolis. It was a shameful insult to manhood. The doors of the penitentiary open, giving up its own every day of the year. Its varied tenantry pour forth to rejoin society—to take its place as breadwinners—murderers and what not; but are they not welcome? If not, are they not tolerated? Why not Jack Johnson? This man's sin is that of marrying white women. Whose business is it? Only that of the women and the black man. The censership of morals, or of rightful marital relations, has not been bestowed, nor does it need to be. I am satisfied that the better class of Negroes of Indianapolis see Johnson as a sport—nothing more; consequently expected to act as a sport acts.

Some white papers have been trying to see Johnson in the light of a fallen example, when in fact he has never posed as being "anybody." He has been consistent as a sport, not one-half of the time, but all of the time; therefore abuse is out of order. John Sullivan was a bluff old bruiser for years; he swaggered, drank and swore, and he was thought to have been doing fine things. John Sullivan was a national pet, in spite of his faults. Johnson has done some things that were not in his favor, such as exceeding the speed limit in his automobile. Beyond that he has been a very decent sporting citizen. He certainly has my consent to come to Indianapolis, or to go any place he chooses to go. If he does not behave when here, he will be referred to the chief of the police or the mayor, and not to private citizens.

AT THE JOHNSON-CAMERON WEDDING—LUCILE KISSES COLORED FOLKS.

CHICAGO.—Popping champagne corks took the place of more conventional wedding marches yesterday afternoon when Jack Johnson made good his long-standing boast and made Lucille Cameron his second white wife.

The black pugilist grinned his defiance to courts, lawyers and the broken-hearted mother, who waged a desperate but losing fight to save her daughter from him.

The Johnson home, 3344 Wabash avenue, with its screaming decorations and numerous pianos, furnished a fitting setting for the ceremony, which was performed at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

The dining room had been "artistically decorated" on walls and ceiling with lifelike portraits of watermelons in every conceivable appetizing pose. Instead of the customary group of ancestral likenesses the parlor was adorned with portraits of the black pugilist in his favorite ring postures.

Johnson and Miss Cameron exchanged witticisms while seated on a sofa in the parlor waiting for the arrival of the minister. The white girl exhibited $2,500 worth of engagement ring on the proper finger, while Johnson's hands were decorated with a stock of jewelry of even greater value.

Crowd Got Thirsty.

At first it was decided that the wine and dinner should be served in proper sequence just after the ceremony. But when the minister continued to be late and everybody was thirsty—well, they just began popping the corks, regardless of schedule.

Finally the Rev. H. A. Roberts, of St. Mark's African M. E. Church, arrived. His overcoat was rain sodden and his collar was upturned when he went into the parlor, examined the marriage license, and caused Johnson and Lucille to join hands.

The ceremony was, or would have been, concluded with prayer, but for the simultaneous explosion of two flashlights just when the minister was about to reach the critical point in his remarks. Johnson and his bride were convinced that they were actually married, however, and the spectators assailed them with a volley of rice.

Immediately after the rice throwing the male Negroes disengaged themselves from the crowd and proceeded to kiss the bride vigorously, who returned the compliment just as vigorously. The feminine part of the crowd expended its osculatory talents on the pugilist.

Then the party repaired to the dining room, where, under the grinning watermelon pictures, they got down to the real entertainment.

"I guess this will stop all those prosecutions," said the Negro rather grimly. "As soon as we can get away we will go to Paris."

Where First Wife Lay.

The marriage took place almost on the same spot in the front parlor of the Wabash avenue home where the body of Johnson's first white wife, who died a suicide through the bitterness of her lot, lay only a few short weeks ago, while Johnson sobbed out his love for the dead woman.

A little later in the afternoon Johnson went to the safe where the jewels were deposited that belonged to Etta Duryea Johnson, and, taking them to Lucille Cameron Johnson, decorated her cheap white shirtwaist with the jewels the other woman had loved, which have been the lure of two women's souls.

All the afternoon the orchestra played ragtime, while the white and black visitors who came to pander to the pugilist danced the Grizzly Bear, and champagne poured like water.

"There are twenty-four cases of champagne," boasted one of Johnson's henchmen, "and we shall drink it all before morning."

There were other things to drink besides, and on the center table of the dining room was a small wedding cake in the shape of a heart, with the grotesque figures of a white man and a white woman on the top of the icing.

To-day they will start on their honeymoon trip. They won't go far, a large bond in the federal court requiring that Johnson shall not leave the state. The pugilist announced that he would take his bride for a short tour in Illinois in his racing car.

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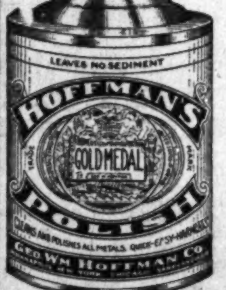

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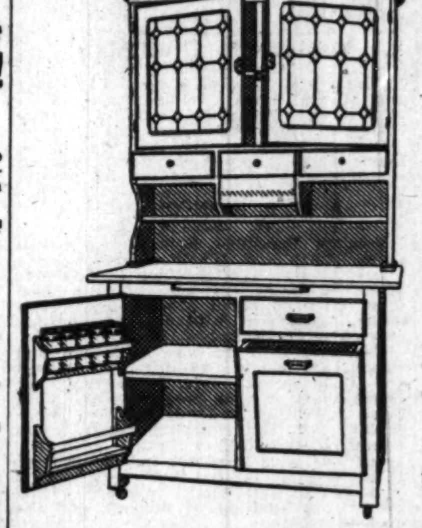

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Bert Evans, the musician, continues to improve at the Lincoln hospital.

Mrs. Ida Dunn entertained at whist on Friday in honor of Miss Clara Dudley, of Chicago.

Get in the Christmas number now. The forms close December 16. Out December 21, 1912.

Mr. Cary B. Lewis, of Chicago, took luncheon with Prof. Valentine, of School No. 26 last Tuesday evening.

Subscription rates for The Freeman for one year have been reduced to $1.00. Better take advantage of it NOW.

A fair will be held in the basement of St. Phillip's Episcopal church on December 19, 20 and 21. All are welcome.

Miss Carrie Watterson, of Dayton, O., is here visiting he rsister, Mrs. Willis P. Downing, of West Twenty-fifth street.

Prof. Baugh, principal of No. 17 district school, has returned to the city, having been called to Alabama to bury his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood C. Knox have returned home after spending several days in the Windy City. They report a very pleasant trip.

Mr. Cary B. Lewis, the special correspondent of The Freeman and other newspapers, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood C. Knox this week.

Mr. Milt T. Hall, of Bloomington, Ind., was in the city last Tuesday in the interest of his tonsorial business. He made purchases of furniture.

Lookout for the Christmas number of The Freeman. It will be replete with the best articles on topics of the times and profusely illustrated.

Garner P. Henson, of Bloomington, Ill., is in the city visiting old friends. Mr. Henson will leave here Monday for a trip to the East, returning home after the holidays.

George Bowen, an old Indianapolis boy, writes to a friend here that he is in the best of health. Mr. Bowen now resides at 909 East Crockett street, San Antonio, Texas.

Mrs. Bertha Hutchinson is in the city, owing to the illness of her mother, Mrs. Jennie Reed, who underwent an operation at Lincoln hospital last week. Mrs. Reed is improving nicely.

Mrs. Minnie Floyd, the well-known lady barber of 537 Indiana avenue, was called to Chicago, Monday, on account of the sudden death of her sister, Mrs. Mattie Tombs, of 2412 Wabash avenue.

Mrs. Ida Dunn entertained the Cornelius Club Friday afternoon. Mrs. Mattie D. Johnson, Mrs. Mattie Britton, of Minneapolis, Minn., and Miss Clara Dudley, of Chicago, were the out-of-town guests.

Dr. B. J. Morgan, the well-known chiropodist, was stricken with paralysis on Monday at his office in the Odd Fellows' building, and was removed to the city hospital, where it is said he is in a serious condition.

The Indianapolis Playground Association has planned to give a ball during the holidays at the K. of P. hall. Also arrangements are being made to give an entertainment at the Colonial theater on December 27.

James Carmichael was seriously injured Tuesday, when his horse became frightened at the Capitol avenue crossing of the Union tracks and backed a wagon into freight cars being transferred into the yards. The cars crushed the wagon. The horse was so badly injured that Bicycleman Gollnich and Bastian killed it. Carmichael was taken to the city hospital.

Mr. George Gains and Miss Bertha Huggins were married Tuesday at the home of Rev. Boston J. Prince. Mr. Gains is a popular young photographer, being employed in the Patton studio. Miss Huggins is well known in society circles and is popular with the elite of the city. The marriage came as a surprise to many, and many were the congratulations of their friends. The Freeman extends congratulations.

ASST. SUPERINTENDENT SPEAKS AT NIGHT SCHOOL 17.

Mr. H. S. Gruver, assistant superintendent of the public schools of Indianapolis, was a visitor at Night School No. 17 on Wednesday night. He told a vistor that No. 17 was one of the best night schools in the country, and that the board was much pleased with its work. Mr. Gruver made a plea for a larger atendance and also told of the benefits to be derived from an education. He told Prof. Stokes to appoint a committee to make arrangements for a musical and social on Thursday night of next week.

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CIVIC CLUB NOTES.

At the last meeting of the branch with Mrs. Beulah Porter, seven new members were received: Mrs. Belle Davis, Mrs. Kate Pierce Moore, Miss Anna Offut, Mrs. Irene Williams, Mrs. Nellie Pettiford, Mrs. Roxie Bell and Mrs. Rose Hummons.

Is it too soon to begin trying to open Fairview park to Negroes? Is there a colored politician who will take up the matter? To break down some of the color barriers would be an excellent way to gain votes for any party or any candidate.

Be sure and see the "Temple of Progress," at Bethel church, December 30.

The national association sends out word that "this year we shall attack segregation laws, investigate lynching, defend the Negro in his civil rights, protest unceasingly against race discrimination."

At the next meeting, December 20th, with Miss Clara Perry, 739 North California street, there will be a discussion of the article on Booker T. Washington, under "Opinion," in the December Crisis. Members are asked to bring their magazines.

With the new year begin saving money for your child's college education.

PLANS ANNUAL CELEBRATION.

Flanner Guild Observes Birthday Anniversary for Late Philanthropist.

So successful was the first celebration of the birthday anniversary of the late Frank W. Flanner Sunday afternoon that the celebration will be made an annual event by the Flanner Guild, 847 Colton street. Dr. W. E. Brown, vice-president of the guild, gave an address on "Frank W. Flanner as a Philanthropist," and Mrs. Ethel Hardy told of "What Mr. Flanner's Life Meant to Us." Miss Clara Perry read a paper especially prepared for mothers and children. She is a member of the colored Women's Civic Club. There were short addresses by Mrs. Frank W. Flanner and Mrs. Peter F. Bryce.

YOUR LAST DAYS ARE AT HAND

To Get In on the Christmas Number.

If you want to get in the Christmas number, your matter must undoubtedly get in by Tuesday, December 17, and not one single day later, as everything will be off. There is much space left, and important positions are yet to be had at very low rates. So tell us what you want and send it in at once. There is no time to loose, for you have only four days left, SO WRITE NOW!

AT THE SENATE AVE. THEATER.

The Hill Brothers have prepared an extraordinary program for their patrons next week, and good crowds are expected. On Tuesday, December 17, two reels of the best Kay-Bee films in a story entitled "On Secret Service," which is a great war show.

Friday, December 20, a great life story will be given entitled "A Protege of Uncle Sam." This story depicts life on a United States battleship, incidentally shown in this dramatic photo play.

Go to the Senate Avenue theater and get your money's worth.

SALE OF RED CROSS CHRISTMAS SEALS.

For several years the American Red Cross society has raised money for their tubercular work by the sale of Christmas seans. Heretofore the sale has not been divided or apportioned in any special way, but this year the city has been districted. The work among the colored people as a whole is new and therefore was not didived. This work was given to the Woman's Improvement club, the only organization making a specialty of tubercular work among colored people.

It is hoped that every organipation or individual contemplating the purchase of stamps will get them from our own merchants and druggists where they are on sale, or from any member of the club.

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CHURCH NOTES.

The public should fill Bethel A. M. E. church Thursday evening, December 19, to see "Young America" by the pupils of McCoy school. Admission, 10 cents.

SIMPSON M. E. CHURCH.

Simpson M. E. church, corner Eleventh and Misouri streets. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Epworth League at 6:30 p. m.

The revival conducted by Mrs. Dollie Lewis is yet in progress. Come, you are welcome. Come! H. A. Foreman, pastor.

A. M. E. ZION CHURCH.

Sunday, December 8, at Jones tabernacle, North and Blackford streets, was a great day. The members and friends acquited themselves admirably in that they rolled up about $75 after a week's notice. All those who did not respond may do so on December 15.

The revival is on now and men and women are being reclaimed and several are at the bench. Rev. B. Spjillman, of Harrodsburg, Ky., is preaching, and Miss Cordelia Walton, of Louisville, Ky., is assisting with her charming songs. You should not fail to hear them.

Services each evening and Sunday at 11 a. m., 3 p. m. and 7:45 p. m. At 3 p. m. is the "quiet hour,' 'to which all the converts are ask to be present, and the unsaved, also.

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Our great rally will be Sunday all day. There will be good preaching at 11 a. m. and 3 p. m. and at 8 p. m. Listen, Christian friends, our object is to help care for those who cannot help themselves.

Brother Berks, president; Sister Partheana Jones, vice-president.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Judge Collins will be the speaker at the Y. M. C. A. monster meeting Sunday afternoon. Every man is urged to attend this meeting as the Judge has a special message to deliver. The greatest monster meeting of the season was held last Sunday afternoon. Dr. J. E. Moorland, of Washington, D. C., delivered one of his most powerful and convincing addresses. His subject was "The Last Chance," and was, perhaps, the most evangelistic speech of the series. Six men were so touched as to their moral strength as spoken of by the orator that they stood up as a token of their desire to become better men.

The largest Bible study class of the year was in attendance on last Tuesday evening. Rev. W. H. Weaver, the teacher of the class, is filled with much wisdom as he instructs the men in the paths of right living. A man does not have to be a member of the association to attend the Bible class.

The musical treat of the year will be given on Wednesday evening, December 18. Mr. Wesley I. Howard, of Richmond, Ind., will appear on a musical program under the auspices of the colored Y. M. C. A. at Bethel church. Mr. Howard is a young violinist who is making his mark in the world of music. He will be assisted by local talent.

The reception given by the building campaign team captains at the Y. M. C. A. building last Monday evening in honor of Dr. J. E. Moorland was one of the most enjoyable affairs in the history of the local branch. Many speeches were made and often several times around.

The band and orchestra practice each week. The Y. M. C. A. band lived up to its reputation as a band capable of doing, when last Sunday afternoon at the monster meeting they delighted the largest audience of men gathered by the Y. M. C. A. this season.

The agreeable surprise of the meeting last Sunday was the singing of the Y. M. C. A. quartet, composed of Messrs. Johnson, Barber, Cooper and Humphrey. It was their first appearance before the public and they made good.

The juniors' gymnasium class is well filled with eager members of the boys' department. Mr. Omer Perrin directs the boys each Monday and Thursday evening. The seniors' gymnasium class meets each Tuesday and Friday evening. All seniors are urged to attend these two classes.

WILL THRASH OUT EDUCATIONAL QUESTION IN INDIANA.

Debate at the Forum, Sunday—Two Young Ladies Will Match Wits Against Two Young Men.

The most interesting program held so far by the Forum at Bethel A. M. E. church promises to take place Sunday at 4 p. m. A debate will be the feature of the meeting, which has caused much comment upon the prospective merits of the debaters. A friendly rivalry seems to have been created as the result of the speakers being two young women against two young men, all of whom are capable debaters. The question that will be discussed is: "Resolved, That Co-education in the High Schools of Indiana Is Detrimental to the pupils." The speakers are Harry W. Jackson and John Montgomery, affirmative, and Misses Blanche Chenault and Tina Holsinger, negative.

Miss Ellen Thomas, a graduate of the Indianapolis School of Music, will render a piano selection. Mrs. Elizabeth Stewart will give a reading.

Last Sunday afternoon Horace Scurry gave a paper on his observations and lessons gained on the dynamite cases now being held at the Federal Court. The paper was followed by a general discussion. The Rev. T. A. Smythe spoke on the Negro in regard to the Union dynamiters. In part he expressed his gratitude because the Negro is not anarchistic at heart and that he has not learned, and is not of the caliber to learn, the art of bomb 'slinging. Others spoke of the feeling the unions have toward the man of color. Mr. Scurry concluded the discussion.

S. H. Dudley in Dr. Beans of Boston—J. Blease Denounced by Courier Journal—Talbert and Brown Have Made It Up.

(By Lee L. Brown, 1006 W. Chestnut.)

LOUISVILLE, KY., Special.

Cold wave struck Louisville this week.

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Yes, Louisville has a real colored Democratic club. Lawyer Wright, president.

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S. H. Dudley, in "Dr. Beans From Boston," is playing to crowded houses at the Walnut Street theater.

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The monthly teachers institute met last Saturday at Central colored high school building. Quite a number of interesting subjects were discussed by the members.

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Many hearts were made sad last Friday evening when it was announced that the night schools would close until January 1, 1913. These schools are well patronized.

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Mrs. James Harris, of South Thirteenth street, mother of James Harris, Jr., editor of the Louisville Defender, and Mrs. Daisy Lawson, died Monday evening. Mrs. Harris has been ill for quite a long while. Mr. James Harris, Sr., her husband is one of the oldest of the Louisville postoffice clerks, and is a prominent Odd Fellow.

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The Courier-Journal in a well-written editorial denounces Governor Blease. We feel safe in saying that Governor Blease is a disgrace to the American nation and deserves all the condemnation that can be poured upon him by the American press. What a pity that such a man is allowed to roam upon the face of the earth.

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Mr. Bridgford Simms, the very polite messenger and United States crier, is chief among our young men who always looks after the entertainment of our guests at Christmas time. Bridgford, who always greets his friends with a genuine old Kentucky smile, is arranging for his annual Christmas dance. He will be assisted by some of the most popular young men of the city. It will be the chief social event of the holiday season.

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Your correspondent is making a tour of the colored business houses this week, and by chance he dropped into the Palace barber shop at 726 West Walnut street, conducted by Mr. W. T. Garnette, one of our leading business men. The shop is under the management of a well-known tonsorial artist, Mr. Jesse Wooten, assisted by Mr. Milton Sevier, who has served in three-fourths of all the shops in the city and is a first class artist and master at his trade. This shop is in the heart of the colored business district, is clean, inviting and well patronized. Mrs. Alice Garnette is cashier and H. Jones is the shoe shiner. Next week we will visit another place of business on the thoroughfare.

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Tolbert and I have had ou rsay in the paper, personal letters have been exchanged. Talbert says he meant no harm. We thought he had a poor way of showing it. Up goes the flag of truce. Tolbert says he will be good. I will say the same thing, so Tolbert, I'll be brave, here's my hand, shake and forgive.

The colored newsboys of our city are to have a Christmas tree, which will be filled with useful presents. A five-piece orchestra will furnish music. The affair will be under the direct charge of Mrs. Bessie L. Allen, juvenile court officer.

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There is in Louisville a young man, Agnew Brookins, of Chicago. He is undergoing special treatment by an eye specialist. He is almost blind. The alumni association of Eckstein Norton Institute, of which this young man is a member, is sending, through its corresponding secretary Lee L. Brown, 1006 West Chestnut street, special letters, asking the members to contribute money towards meeting the expense of the treatment.

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Mr. Frank Robinson, clerk in the postoffice is very ill.

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The colored branch of the Y. M. C. A. will open their new building on December 22, with appropriate exercises, at which time the chairman of the white board of directors will turn the keys over to Chairman Meyzeek, of the colored department.

JEFFERSONVILLE (IND.) NOTES.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Fall City Lodge No. 21, K. of P., met in regular communication in their castle hall on December 3, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: C. C. [illegible] Charles Marshall; V. C. K., [illegible]son; Thomas Sheffey; K. R. S. K., Humphrey Nelson; M. F. K., Leonard Redd; M. E. K., Frank Berry; P. L. K., William Marshall. Eighteen months trustee, Berry Thomas; grand delegate, Charles Marshall ....Miss Cora Middleton, of Hendricks avenue, was very pleasantly surprised by a miscellaneous shower by her many friends last Tuesday evening. Many handsome presents were given. The shower was given by friends as a token of best wishes to Miss Middleton, who is soon to be married to Mr. John Harvey, of Louisville, Ky.......Mrs. Nellie M. Strong, of Newcastle, Ind., has been summoned to the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Mary Gray, who is critically ill at her home on Indiana avenue....Mr. Frank Lee, who is principal of the school at Charlestown, is having a unique Christmas exercise at his school preparatory for the holidays. His pupils will recite poems of his own composition......The Improvement Club was entertained at the home of Mrs. Bettie Coleman on National avenue, on Monday evening of this week......Mrs. Blanche Smith, of Chicago, arrived in the city to attend the bedside of her aunt, Mrs. Mary Gray...Mr. W. A. Wilhite, whose home was partly destroyed by fire, is having repairs made and expects to be able to move back into his home..Rev. Simmons is preparing to have an emancipation celebration at his church, Wesley Chapel M. E. church, on January 1, 1913.

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